



Designation of Neighbourhood Area for Upwell Parish

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), Section 61G Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Regulations 5 & 6

Upwell Parish Council Parish Council applied to the Borough Council on 13/07/15 for the whole of the Parish to be designated a Neighbourhood Area. This would allow the Parish Council to prepare a neighbourhood plan for the area.

As required by the Regulations, the application was published and advertised, and a period of 6 weeks provided for comments on the application.

The application was advertised:

- On the Borough Council's website
- Posters were produced and made accessible at the borough councils offices in King's Lynn and Downham Market. The posters were also displayed on Upwell Parish noticeboard and provided to the Parish Council to display in other locations in and around the parish
- Direct notifications were sent to a list of statutory consultees whom had previously expressed an interest, or commented on the Local Plan and to organisations with an interest in the local area.
- Direct notifications were sent to neighbouring county, district and parish councils
- Direct notifications were sent to members of the public residing in Upwell and the surrounding local area whom had previously expressed an interest in the Local Plan and were on the Borough Councils consultation database

The consultation was open from 24 September until 12 November 2015. Six representations were received from organisations with an interest in the Local Plan and neighbourhood plans. No comments were received from members of the public.

There were no objections to the proposed neighbourhood area. Most consultees had no specific comment, either providing general advice or stating that they would like the opportunity to comment on the neighbourhood plan, if produced. Historic England provided specific advice on historical assets in the Parish to help inform the plan making process.

In determining the application, the Borough Council has considered the desirability of designating the whole of the area of a parish council as a neighbourhood area, and the desirability of maintaining the existing boundaries of areas already designated as neighbourhood areas. The application was for the whole parish, and there are no existing neighbourhood areas in the vicinity. No reasons were identified why a different area should be designated than that applied for.

Therefore the Council decided the whole of Upwell Parish should be designated a Neighbourhood Area with effect from today.

Executive Director

2/12/2015

Date