# Shouldham Parish Council – application for designation of parish of Shouldham as a Neighbourhood Area, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk Kings Court Chapel Street King's Lynn Norfolk PE30 1EX

Attn: XXXXXXX XXXXXX, Principal Planner, Planning Policy, Planning and Environment

7th March 2023

Dear Sirs,

#### Re: Request to have the parish of Shouldham designated as a Neighbourhood Area

#### Background

In 2019 Shouldham Parish Council resolved to establish a Steering Group, comprising local residents, to oversee the work to prepare a (draft) neighbourhood plan for Shouldham and to see that work through to the approval of such a plan by King's Lynn & West Norfolk Borough Council. This request to have the parish approved as a designated area is submitted by the Secretary of the Steering Group on behalf of Shouldham Parish Council.

#### Request

Shouldham Parish Council hereby requests permission for the Parish of Shouldham to be designated a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, as amended.

It is requested that the Shouldham Parish boundary is designated as the boundary for the Shouldham Neighbourhood Area. A map of the Parish boundary is shown at the bottom of the Designated Area Statement which is attached.

Shouldham Parish Council believe the Parish boundary to be appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the following reasons:

- It comprises the whole geographical area of the Parish of Shouldham;
- It is the local government administrative area for the Parish of Shouldham;
- It enables proper and effective neighbourhood planning to include the whole area of Shouldham Parish Council;
- It supports the provisions of section 61G(4a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by the Localism Act 2011, "in determining the application, the authority must have regard to:- (a) the desirability of designating the whole of the area of a parish council as a neighbourhood area.

## Statement of qualifying body

Shouldham Parish Council is a relevant body permitted to make this area application for the purposes of section 61G of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

Yours sincerely,

#### XXXXX XXXXXX

## Secretary, Shouldham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

## <u>Attachments</u>

- 1. Designated Area Statement for the parish of Shouldham, which incorporates a map of the parish.
- 2. Extracts from the minutes of Shouldham Parish Council to evidence support for the submission for a Neighbourhood Designated Area.
- 3. Terms of Reference for Shouldham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

## This request is copied to:

XXXX XXXXX, Clerk to Shouldham Parish Council XXXXX XXXXX, Chairman, Shouldham Parish Council