



Designation of Neighbourhood Area

Please note that the information provided on this form will be published on the Cotswold District Council's website. If you require clarification, please contact neighbourhood.planning@cotswold.gov.uk

1. Name of proposed Neighbourhood Area

Blockley Parish

2. Parish Clerk details

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3. Single Point of Contact – if different from the Clerk

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| Title | |
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| Last name | |
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| County | |
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We expect all official correspondence to be routed through a Single Point of Contact, to prevent misunderstandings over whether any interactions with the Council are official or personal.

3. Relevant body

Please confirm that you are a relevant body to undertake neighbourhood planning in your area.

Blockley Parish Council administers the Parish and as such is a relevant body.

In accordance with section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act and Section 5C of the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, only a town or parish council is able to act as the lead body for neighbourhood planning within Cotswold District. Where a proposed area includes part or whole of a neighbouring parish or parishes, the parish council can only act as lead for the neighbourhood area where the neighbouring parish council(s) have given their consent.

If your proposal includes part or whole of a neighbouring parish or parishes, please list below, and supply signed confirmation of their consent.

Not applicable

4. Intention of neighbourhood area

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Neighbourhood Development Order

Community Right to Build Order

This section is a statement of intent only, and does not restrict you from developing a plan or order at a later date. However, it will be easier for the Council to determine how it can best assist you if you are able to give an indication of intent at this stage.

5. Proposed area

5.1 Please indicate below, and attach a map showing the extent of the area

Whole parish boundary

Part of parish

Joint with neighbouring parish(es)

6. Please complete the following to enable us to publicise your proposal appropriately.

The boxes below will automatically expand as you type or paste in text.

6.1 (i) Please provide a short statement, setting out the background to your submission: how this proposal has come about, and what it is trying to achieve.

(ii) Please provide an explanation of why you have chosen to develop a Neighbourhood Plan, Neighbourhood Development Order or Community Right to Build.

Note: This information will help us publicise your proposal, and respond to enquiries from the wider community about your intentions.

Following on from the publication of the Blockley Parish Plan in 2010, and in light of the opportunities afforded to local communities under the Localism Act 2011, Blockley Parish Council (BPC) believes that the development of a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) provides the best means of ensuring that the strategic objectives for Blockley included in Cotswold District Council's emerging Local Plan will be implemented in a way that best reflects the current and future needs and aspirations of the whole community.

In particular, it will allow local residents and businesses to participate in determining how future development in the Parish can best meet the economic, housing and social needs of the community, while respecting the the existing built and natural environment. As such, it is anticipated that it will include policies and projects related to residential housing development, social and recreational facilities, local economic development, and the designation and protection of Local Green Spaces.

6.2 (i) Please provide a short statement on why the boundary described by this submission and the accompanying map is appropriate.

(ii) What has informed and been taken into account in reaching a decision on the proposed boundary?

Note: Please consider whether existing parish boundaries are appropriate for a Neighbourhood Plan, given the location of key facilities and possible development sites. Have you discussed your plans with neighbouring parishes?

Blockley Parish encompasses the communities of Blockley, Aston Magna, Paxford, Draycott, Ditchford and Northwick Park, together with the business parks at Draycott, Paxford and Northwick Park. While Blockley is the largest community - and the only one included in the emerging Local Plan, there is a high degree of inter-connectedness between the communities. For example, the business parks provide employment opportunities for people throughout the Parish, while the village shop and social / recreational facilities in Blockley also serve the needs of the outlying communities. As such, we believe that it is appropriate to develop a NDP for the Parish as a whole.

Since all of the above communities and business activities lie entirely within the Parish boundary, we believe that it will be possible to meet any objectives identified in the NDP without the need for coordination with neighbouring parishes. Consequently, we have not yet discussed our plans with any of these parishes.

6.3 Please provide a short statement on how your proposal will fit with any other plans prepared by your community.

Note: Is your intention to replace or supplement existing plans such as Community or parish plans, village design statements etc?

The NDP will build on the work undertaken in the preparation of the Blockley Parish Plan in 2010, and the views and recommendations expressed in the final published document. Care will be taken during the development of the NDP to ensure that it complies fully with the National Planning Policy Framework and that it is in general conformity with the strategic policies included in Cotswold District Council's emerging Local Plan.

The initial priority will be the development of the NDP and, at this stage, it is uncertain whether there will a role for Neighbourhood Development Orders or Community Right to Build Orders.

Informative:

While Neighbourhood Planning is designed to empower communities, and to enable them to develop policies and proposals they deem locally appropriate, Neighbourhood Plans need to be in general conformity with the Local Plan and national planning guidance.

7 Declaration

I hereby apply to designate a neighbourhood area as described on this form, the accompanying map, and any supplementary documentation I have supplied.

Mrs Alexia Monroe
Blockley Parish Clerk

Date:30 Jan 2017

Please return this form to:

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