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Application for Designation of a Neighbourhood Area covering the Parishes of Tenbury (Malvern Hills District) and Burford (Shropshire)

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, this is a formal application by Tenbury Town Council in conjunction with Burford Parish Council to Malvern Hills District Council and Shropshire Council for the designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area for the purposes of developing a neighbourhood development plan. The application is for the designation of the parishes of Tenbury and Burford as a single neighbourhood area. The power to designate an area as a Neighbourhood Area is exercisable under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The application is made by Tenbury Town Council, which has agreed to be the lead or named parish in taking forward this neighbourhood development plan – see authorisation to act in relation to neighbourhood area attached.

Under Regulation 5(1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, an area application has to include the following:

1. A map which identifies the area to which the application relates:
 - The map of the proposed Neighbourhood Area is attached. The proposed neighbourhood area includes the whole of the parish of Tenbury and the whole of the parish of Burford, and so satisfies section 61G (3) of the Act.

2. A statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area:

- Tenbury is situated within the Malvern Hills district south of the River Teme with several historic and natural assets. Burford is situated to the north of the River Teme within the Shropshire Unitary Authority. The county boundary runs along the course of the River Teme. The two communities have developed together over time and are interdependent with retail and social services being concentrated on the Tenbury side of the river but the majority of employment opportunities being found on the Burford side of the river. The two Communities helped shape the Tenbury and Burford Community Plan produced in 2004 and updated in 2012 and it is hoped a Neighbourhood Plan will enable future planning decisions to recognise the needs of these interdependent communities as one whole. It will also help protect and enhance the natural environment from inappropriate development, in order to retain the character and individual identity of the area.

3. A statement that the body making the area application is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G(2) of the 1990 Act;

- Tenbury Town Council is the relevant body for the purposes of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, section 61G (2) as specified by the paragraph 2(a) of Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011 for the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan.

Please let me know if any additional information is required.

Yours sincerely



Dawn Worgan
Town Clerk

cc – Mrs N. G. Griffiths – Parish Clerk, Burford Parish Council

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Authorisation to act in relation to Neighbourhood Area

This application is made by Tenbury Town Council who have agreed to be the lead or named Parish in taking forward the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Section 61F(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 allows for neighbourhood development plan areas to be designated which include the whole or any part of another parish council with those parishes' consent.

This consent has been given by both Tenbury Town Council (at its Town Council Meeting on Monday 2nd November 2015) and Burford Parish Council (at its Parish Council Meeting on Monday 9th November 2015).

At its meeting on Monday 9th November 2015, Burford Parish Council agreed to submit a joint application with Tenbury Town Council for the designation of a neighbourhood area in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Burford Parish Council also agreed that the application be made by Tenbury Town Council, which has agreed to be the lead or named parish in taking forward this neighbourhood development plan.