Neighbourhood Planning
Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and (Amendment) Regulations 2015

Before completing this form, please read our Frequently Asked Questions document and the guidance notes below

Within South Cambridgeshire District only Parish Councils can apply for Neighbourhood Area designation. These will be the ‘qualifying body’ in this District – a term used in the regulations for Neighbourhood Planning. As the Local Planning Authority, South Cambridgeshire District Council (the Council) will need to undertake various periods of statutory consultation on your proposals.

Data Protection and Freedom of Information
Information in this form will be used solely for statutory Neighbourhood Planning consultations. Information, including names and contact information, will be available to view on the Council’s website.

By submitting this response form you are agreeing to these conditions.

If you need help to complete this form please call 01954 713182 or email Neighbourhood.Planning@scambs.gov.uk.

### Please complete this form using information and contact details we can publish on our website

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<th>Name of parish (or lead parish where there is more than one). Where there is no parish council in place to make this application, please contact the Council for assistance in applying to designate a Neighbourhood Forum</th>
<th>Foxton Parish</th>
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| 2 | Address | Foxton Parish Council
The Parish Office,
Foxton Village Hall,
Hardman Road,
Foxton,
Cambridge
CB22 6RN |
| 3 | Contact name & position | Frances Laville, Parish Clerk
Ron McCreery, Chairman |
| 4 | Telephone number | Parish Clerk
Chairman |
| 5 | E-mail | clerk@foxtonparishcouncil.gov.uk
chair@foxtonparishcouncil.gov.uk |
| 6 | Additional parish contact details If applicable, please list all parishes involved in this application and provide contact details for the clerks of each. | |
| 7 | Name of Neighbourhood Area In many cases this will reflect the name of the parish/es it covers | Foxton |
Proposed Neighbourhood Area
The parish boundary might provide a good basis for a Neighbourhood Area but this is not obligatory. You must state why you consider the boundary you have proposed appropriate for designation. Without this information, your application cannot be processed.

Also, you must provide an Ordnance Survey Map showing clearly the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area. Your application cannot be processed without a map. If you need help to prepare a map please contact Neighbourhood.Planning@scambs.gov.uk or call 01954 713182

Foxton Parish Council are proposing the designation of Foxton Parish as the Neighbourhood Area for their Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish boundary to the north is the River Cam and to the east Hoffer Brook. To the west the Parish borders Shepreth and to the south Fowlmere and Thriplow.

The Parish has a main line railway station on the Cambridge to Kings Cross line. The A10 is the main road crossing the Parish from North East to West.

The Parish has a pre-school, primary school, and a special education school. Foxton Primary School is a feeder to Melbourn Village College (3 miles) for secondary education.

The centre of the village has St Laurence Church, a post office and general store, the White Horse public house, recreation ground and the village hall, sports pavilion and school complex.

The parish has an existing conservation area covering a number of listed buildings dating back to the 16th century.

The “Common Stream” written by Rowland Parker charts the history of the village.

The surrounding farmland and the mix of housing, light industry and small businesses are all integral to the community of Foxton.

It is therefore appropriate that the proposed Neighbourhood Area embraces the whole of the Parish of Foxton.

Neighbourhood Planning is a fixed agenda item at Parish Council Meetings.

Following on from the Parish Council’s decision to create a Neighbourhood Plan, articles have been placed in the July and August issues of the Laurentian, the Parish magazine. Posters have been placed around the village to provide basic information and to appeal for interested people to join the Working Party to progress the plan.

Local press have also been advised of Foxton’s intentions.

A formal Neighbourhood Plan Working Party has now been established.

A consultation letter (Appendix A) has been sent to the 6 adjoining parishes, Barrington, Harston, Newton, Thriplow, Fowlmere and Shepreth, to businesses operating in the Parish, and to recreational and other clubs and organisations based in the Parish.

No adverse comments have been received from Parishes, businesses, clubs and organisations contacted.

A separate section of the Parish council website has been dedicated to Neighbourhood planning.

Local Contact details
South Cambridgeshire District Council must publicise your application for designating a Neighbourhood Area. Please could you provide with your application details of local contacts for use in the Council’s statutory consultation (see guidance notes below)

Local Contact information is enclosed
Yes
Can be provided electronically?
Yes
11 Declaration

I/we hereby declare that this parish council is a constituted parish council and is the qualifying body to act in this context. Local contact information is enclosed and/or being sent electronically.

Where relevant, please ensure all other parishes involved have signed this application form. Continue on another sheet if necessary.

Name: R. G McCreery
Signature: R. G. McCreery  
Chairman, Foxton Parish Council

Parish (lead parish where there is more than one):

Date (dd/mm/yy): 7th September 2015

Guidance Note – please read the ‘Frequently Asked Questions’ before completing this form

Application for Neighbourhood Area designation

This is the first formal step in the development of a Neighbourhood Plan – a Neighbourhood Area must be designated before a Neighbourhood Plan can be developed. We recommend discussing your objectives with Council officers prior to completing this form, to ascertain whether this is the most appropriate vehicle for you and what support is available to develop your Plan. Working with neighbouring parishes with similar issues could reduce the workload and increase the pool of expertise and knowledge needed for the production of a Neighbourhood Plan.

Community engagement and consultation may need to take place before making an application to designate a Neighbourhood Area. Does the local community support the production of a Neighbourhood Plan? What are the issues as they see them? What Neighbourhood Area boundary options have they been given? Have they expressed a preference? Details of this community engagement should be detailed in Question 9.

Qualifying Body (sometimes referred to as the ‘relevant body’)  
Applications must include a statement confirming that the parish council is the qualifying body. Your application is not complete without this information.

Areas with no parish council

Parish meetings can either get involved with the Neighbourhood Planning in an adjoining parish or apply to the Council to be designated as a Neighbourhood Forum, which can prepare its own Plan. If you think this applies to you, please contact the Council for assistance.

Filling out the form

South Cambridgeshire District Council has prepared this form to make it simple to apply for Area Designation. The contact address used on this form should be the main contact for future communication on the Neighbourhood Plan. Please be aware when completing the form that the information given may need to be published online.

Local Contacts

The Council must publicise the application for designating a Neighbourhood Area. You know your local community and are asked to submit with your application form, details of local contacts that that Council will use in carrying out its statutory consultation. Please ensure that you have enclosed (and send electronically wherever possible to Neighbourhood.Planning@scambs.gov.uk) a list of addresses with postcodes and email addresses to named individuals for as many local stakeholders as possible, including businesses, community groups, landowners and education providers. This information will not be posted.
on our website but needs as far as possible to be professional contact information and not the personal details of individuals who may not wish to be contacted or consulted on this matter. Information shared with us will be used for the sole purpose of statutory Neighbourhood Planning consultations.

Your application is not complete without this information.

Map of the Area
If you need help to prepare a map showing the Neighbourhood Area please contact Neighbourhood.Planning@scambs.gov.uk or call 01954 713182.

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What happens next?
The Council must publicise the Area application on its website and in such other manner as they consider is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the area to which the application relates. There will be a period of not less than 4 weeks of statutory public consultation when the Council will invite comments on the application.

Decision to designate
The Council will decide whether to designate the Neighbourhood Area.

Decisions will be made:

- Within 8 weeks where the parish council is the qualifying body and the entire parish area is nominated
- Within 20 weeks where the proposed area falls across two or more Local Authorities
- 13 weeks in all other cases

In all cases the time period runs from the date immediately following that on which the application is first publicised by the Local Planning Authority, i.e. the start of the statutory consultation by the Council and not from receipt of the application. The Council will notify the parish and publish decisions on its website. Reasons will be given if the application is not successful within the decision document.

The Council may modify the application with the parish’s consent if it is considered the Neighbourhood Area is not appropriate.

Checklist - have you…?

- Signed the declaration
- Included local contact information
- Included a map of the nominated Neighbourhood Area

Completed forms should be returned to:
Neighbourhood Planning
Planning Policy Team
Planning and New Communities
South Cambridgeshire District Council
South Cambridgeshire Hall
Cambourne Business Park
Cambourne
Cambridgeshire
CB23 6EA