Bisham Neighbourhood Area Designation Application

This application for neighbourhood area designation is submitted to the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

It is submitted by Bisham Parish Council. A signed statement of support from the parish council is provided in Appendix A to the application.

Definition of the area to which the application relates

This application relates to the administrative area of Bisham Parish Council. A map showing the boundary is provided in Appendix B to the application.

Justification for why the area is considered appropriate for designation as a neighbourhood area

The area is characterised by small villages and hamlets sitting within a rural setting. Whilst each village has its own character, which plays a key part in defining local identity, the area shares similar concerns and interests with regard to being located between High Wycombe and Marlow to the north and Maidenhead to the south, and the pressures it brings in terms of traffic including the A404(M) which divides the area.

Notwithstanding the predominantly rural setting, the area supports a number of well know facilities including the National Sports Centre at Bisham Abbey, the Compleat Angler Hotel and the Longridge outdoor activity adventure centre.

The preparation of a neighbourhood development plan for the proposed area will enable residents to more efficient and effectively engage with the preparation of planning policy. By taking a local approach to planning policy, the neighbourhood plan will enable planning policy to better address the local needs and wishes of the community which can be overlooked in higher level plans which rightly consider strategic matters.

The legal entitlement to make this application

Bisham Parish Council constitutes a 'relevant body' for the purpose of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The specified area applied for consists of and only includes the administrative area of this relevant body.

Appendix A: Statement of Support

I confirm support this application for designation of a neighbourhood area.

Signed: For Bisham Parish Council

Name and Position: Gillian Amanda Robson Brown Chairman, Bisham Parish Council

Date: 19th October 2012



Appendix B: Map showing the proposed Bisham Neighbourhood Area



