Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead

Planning and Property Services

Delegated Decision Statement

Town and Country Planning (England), Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

a) Name of officer(s) taking decision:

Simon Hurrell, Head of Planning and Property Services in conjunction with Councillor Christine Bateson, Lead Member for Community Partnerships and Neighbourhood Planning

b) Directorate and Unit:

Planning and Property Services

c) Date of decision:

14 October 2013

d) Ward(s) affected:

Eton Wick, Eton and Castle

e) Part I or Part II decision:

Part I

f) Please provide a summary of the decision:

This statement designates the neighbourhood area of Eton under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

g) Please summarise the relevant factors taken into account:

On 21st March 2013 the Cabinet of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead approved the designation of the following neighbourhood areas:

- Hurley and the Walthams
- Maidenhead and Cox Green
- Ascot, Sunninghill and Sunningdale
- Bray
- Bisham
- Horton and Wraysbury
- Datchet
- Old Windsor

On the same date, the Cabinet delegated authority to the Head of Planning and Property Services, in conjunction with the Lead Member for Community Partnerships and Neighbourhood Planning, to consider and determine any future neighbourhood area or neighbourhood forum applications made under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

On 12 August 2013, Eton Town Council applied to RBWM for the designation of a neighbourhood area for Eton. This application complied with paragraph 5(1) of the Regulations.

Following the decision made in this statement and in accordance with paragraph 7 of the Regulations, as soon as possible after today's date the Council will publish the following on its website:

- The name of the neighbourhood area
- A map which identifies the area
- The name of the relevant body who applied for the designation

h) Please indicate the following:

Consultation carried out

In accordance with Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 RBWM consulted residents and other interested stakeholders on this application. The consultation ran for a period of six weeks, from 27 August 2013 and ending on 8 October 2013.

A copy of the application and details of how to make representations were posted on the neighbourhood planning webpage.

The Council has received no representations during the consultation period or to date.

Financial Implications

The Royal Borough is eligible to apply for a grant from the Department for Communities and Local Government following a designation of a neighbourhood area. Further details are available in the Cabinet report on neighbourhood areas dated 21st March 2013.

Legal Implications

In designating a neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum, the Council is exercising its statutory functions under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Planning Implications

Neighbourhood plans are prepared in line with the strategic policies of the emerging Borough Local Plan.

Sustainable Development Implications

Neighbourhood plans are prepared in line with the sustainable development principles of the National Planning Policy Framework and emerging Borough Local Plan. A sustainability

appraisal (strategic environmental assessment) may be necessary depending on the content of a neighbourhood plan.
Crime and Disorder Reduction Implications
None
Human Rights Act Implications
None
Background Papers
RBWM Cabinet 21 st March 2013
RBWM Cabinet 25 th July 2013
Guide to Neighbourhood Planning in the Royal Borough and Key Milestones (available at http://www.rbwm.gov.uk/web/pp neighbourhood plans.htm)
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE BATESON, LEAD MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING
SIMON HURRELL, HEAD OF PLANNING AND PROPERTY SERVICES