Old Windsor 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 on behalf of Old Windsor Parish Council.

A signed statement of support from the parish 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 Old Windsor 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 Parish Council, along with representatives of community groups, businesses, residents associations and others, will work together to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for the area.

Old Windsor characterised by being a main village settlement within a rural setting, located predominantly south of the meandering River Thames. The south of the parish extends as far as Sunningdale, consisting almost exclusively of the rich heritage of Windsor Great Park and Virginia Water. This area of land, owned by the Crown Estates, also has its own community of employees spread across the park. This isolated community finds it difficult to integrate with Old Windsor village because of its remoteness and inaccessibility.

While the area benefits from strategic road networks which provide excellent access to London and the South East, it also creates issues on local roads, particularly when frequent problems occur on the motorways. Indeed Old Windsor village itself is bisected by the A308 Straight Road.

The preparation of a neighbourhood development plan for the proposed area will enable the efficient preparation of planning policy which better addresses the needs and wishes of the local community and provide a degree of local distinctiveness to how planning decisions are considered.

The legal entitlement to make this application

Old Windsor 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

We confirm that we support this application for designation of a neighbourhood area.

Signed For Old Windsor Parish Council

Name and Position JANE DAWSON - CHAIR

Date: 22.10.12

Signed: For Old Windsor Parish Council

Name and Position JOHN LEG - CLERK Date: 22-10-12

Appendix B: Map showing the proposed Old Windsor Neighbourhood Area

