The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

Application form for the designation of a neighbourhood area

This application must be made by the relevant parish or town council wishing to apply to Northumberland County Council for the designation of a neighbourhood area. The submission of an application to the local planning authority is a requirement under The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 as a pre-requisite to preparing a neighbourhood development plan or order.

A map indicating the boundary of the proposed neighbourhood area must accompany this form.

(Please place X in box to indicate that the proposed neighbourhood area map is included)

Please give a brief statement in the space below telling us why the proposed area shown on the map has been chosen as being appropriate for the purpose of neighbourhood planning.

The area selected includes the whole of Lesbury Parish which is the area for which the Parish Council has responsibility.

The Parish comprises three distinct areas: Hipsburn, Lesbury and Bilton, surrounded by a number of outlying farmsteads. These areas share the same school, village hall, Post Office and community facilities. Any development within one part of the Parish could have an impact on all of these areas. It is, therefore important to ensure that the views of all residents are taken into account when setting policies for the future.

It would not be practical to join with our neighbouring parishes Alnmouth and Longhoughton to produce a neighbourhood development plan. Alnmouth is not proposing to have a NDP and Longhoughton has five separate communities within its boundaries, all of which have very different needs which would be difficult to reconcile in a larger plan.

I can confirm that Douglas Hunter

(insert name of parish or town council) is a relevant body for the purpose of neighbourhood planning in accordance with section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

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Signed

(Chair of parish council)

Date: 27 06 201

