

RECORD OF DECISIONS BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN CONSULTATION WITH CABINET MEMBER

Mark Ketley – Head of Planning Services

Councillor John Riddle – Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing & Resilience

Decision on the application to designate the civil parish of Choppington as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of neighbourhood planning

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to determine an application to designate the civil parish of Choppington as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of neighbourhood planning.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 The civil parish of Choppington should be designated as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of section 61G(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990; and
- 2.2 The area covered by the parish of Choppington will not be designated as a business area for the purposes of neighbourhood planning.

3. Background

- 3.1 Choppington Parish Council has applied to the County Council seeking designation of the parish as a neighbourhood area.
- 3.2 Legislation sets out a number of steps that are required to be taken when using neighbourhood planning powers. The first requirement is to have an area designated as a 'neighbourhood area'. Once this has been done, all other neighbourhood planning powers may be exercised by the qualifying body, in this case, Choppington Parish Council.
- 3.3 The area designation application complies with the requirements set out in The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). The application relates to the designation of the whole of Choppington Parish Council's administrative area and has been properly made by the Parish Council. Accordingly, the Regulations require that the local planning authority must designate Choppington Parish as a neighbourhood area.
- 3.4 As part of the process of designation the County Council must consider whether the area should also be designated as a business area for neighbourhood planning purposes. The proposed neighbourhood area is not dominated by business activities. It would therefore not be appropriate to designate it as such.
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DECISION TAKEN

Head of Planning Services

Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing & Resilience

Subject: Designation of the parish of Choppington as a neighbourhood area

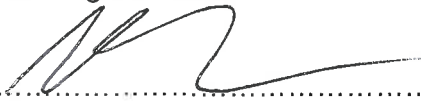
Decision taken:

The civil parish of Choppington will be designated as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of section 61G(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The neighbourhood area will not be designated as a business area for the purposes of neighbourhood planning.

Signatures

Head of Planning Services:

Date: 16 October 2017


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Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing & Resilience:

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