# 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 comprises the civic parishes of Bamburgh, Beadnell and N Sunderland. The three parishes, which are adjacent, share common opportunities and problems arising from their location at the heart the N Northumberland Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and of the N Northumberland coast tourism business. Residents and visitors alike regard the three parishes as a shared and common area.

The parishes are places where there is continual pressure for second homes and for holiday accommodation; they have some of the highest percentages of second homes in the country and the average price of property is almost twice that of the rest of N Northumberland.

The three parish Councils therefore believe that an integrated neighbourhood development plan covering the combined area would allow an integrated approach to setting local planning policies on matters such as:

- housing delivery, including affordable housing;
- employment and business development needs in the context of environmental and infrastructure constraints;
- protection of the environment, including protection to the built and cultural heritage.

I can confirm that North Sunderland Parish Council is a relevant body for the purpose of neighbourhood planning in accordance with section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Date: 19-11-13

Signed (Chair of parish council)
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### **Publicising your application**

As soon as possible after receiving an application for the designation of a neighbourhood area, the county council will publicise the application on our website and in such other manner considered likely to bring the application to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the area. This publicity will include:

- a copy of the application for designation of the area;
- · details of how to make representation; and
- the date by which representations must be received by the county council, being no less than 6 weeks from the date on which the application is first publicised.

# Publicising the decision

As soon as possible after designating a neighbourhood area, the county council will publish the following information on our website and in such other manner considered likely to bring the designation to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area. This publicity will include:

- the name of the neighbourhood area;
- a map that identifies the area; and
- the name of the relevant body who applied for the designation.

If a decision is made to refuse to designate a neighbourhood area, the county council will publish that decision in a similar manner as if the designation was accepted. This will include:

- a document setting out the decision and a statement of the reasons for making that decision; and
- details of where and when the decision document may be inspected.

#### Please return application form to:

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If you would like to discuss your application please contact David English by phone or email:

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