



CRANMER NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Aslockton Parish Council
Granby-cum-Sutton Parish Council
Orston Parish Council
Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Council
Elton on the Hill Parish Meeting
Flawborough Parish Meeting
Thoroton Parish Meeting

Dear Mr Mapletoft

Application for designation of Cranmer Ward as a designated Neighbourhood Area

As per your advice to Cllr Chris Grocock, we the undersigned, as representatives of the respective Parish Councils of Aslockton, Whatton-in-the-Vale, Orston, and Granby-cum-Sutton, in partnership with the respective Parish Meetings of Thoroton, Elton on the Hill, and Flawborough, are writing to you to confirm our intent to pursue the development of the Neighbourhood Plan for the whole of Cranmer ward, which is inclusive of our seven parishes. This will form our Cranmer Neighbourhood Plan Area (CNPA).

The Parish Councils of the CNPA shall jointly pursue the development of our Cranmer Neighbourhood Plan (CNP). As such, with the agreement of the Parish Meetings of Thoroton, Elton on the Hill, and Flawborough, we request that the RBC acknowledges the inclusion of these parishes within our proposal. We also commit to ensuring that as well as the ratification of each individual Parish Council, that each Parish Meeting will individually ratify our final agreed version of the Neighbourhood Plan, before it is put to the community for referendum.

We are also in the process of establishing a Cranmer Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, with appropriate terms of reference, procedures, and structures in place to ensure delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan. This Steering Group and any subsidiary Task and Finish Groups will draw on the resources and expertise of the entire community, not just we as representatives of our parishes, but also local volunteers, from business, community organisations, and the residential population, at large.

We can also confirm that our lead Parish Council for coordination and correspondence with RBC is Orston Parish Council. Until officers of the Steering Group are confirmed you should consider the Clerk of Orston Parish Council as your principal point of contact for all matters relating to the Cranmer Neighbourhood Plan.

Here is our official request for designation of Cranmer Ward as a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012:

1. We include a map which identifies the area to which the area application relates (please see below.)
2. This area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area because of the commonality between the different villages in terms of:
 - a. Their status as "Other Villages" within the Greater Nottingham Aligned Core Strategy
 - b. Their proximity to each in terms of representing a contiguous area of rural parishes

- c. The similarities they face with regards to limited services and public transport, largely residential character, rurality, heritage and conservation, business types (pubs, small shops, agriculture), land usage and environment, and development pressures (solar farms and windfall housing development)
 - d. Road infrastructure including a shared dependence on the A52 for access to the national highways system
 - e. The collaboration undertaken to date between the different parish councils and parish meetings, residents, businesses, and community groups in exploring the development of a neighbourhood plan with recognition of their shared interests and the benefits of pooling resources.
3. Working through our Cranmer Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group we can confirm that the parish councils of Aslockton, Granby-cum-Sutton, Orston and Whatton-in-the-Vale are relevant bodies for the purposes of Section 61G of the Town & County Planning Act (1990), with Orston acting as the lead council.

Yours sincerely,



Cllr Nicholas Wheatley, Chairman of Aslockton Parish Council



Cllr Trever Fewell, Chairman of Granby-cum-Sutton Parish Council



Cllr Gerry McMahon, Chairman of Orston Parish Council



Cllr Julia Faulconbridge, Chairman of Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Council

Map of Cranmer Ward Neighbourhood Plan Area:

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