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Longhope, Gloucestershire

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Dear Mr Williams,

Longhope Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan

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Longhope Parish Council, being a 'relevant body' as required by legislation under Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, would like to formally apply for the Parish of Longhope to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area, for the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) and/or Neighbourhood Development Order. A resolution to make this application was passed at the Longhope Parish Council meeting on Monday 20th May 2013.

We confirm that Longhope Parish Council, which is accountable to the community that it serves, is a relevant body for the purpose of Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended.

The Neighbourhood Area defined by the Parish Council is the whole of the civil parish of Longhope. We consider the defined area to be an appropriate area for designation as a Neighbourhood Area for the following reasons:

1. The area defined has been widely recognised as a defined community and the electorate within the defined area are distinguishable as a voting community.
2. The residents within the area defined have been consulted about neighbourhood planning.
3. Significant numbers of residents within the defined area have demonstrated concerns about conservation and forward planning and have a desire to shape the way in which the area within the Parish boundary develops.

We envisage that the NDP will address the housing needs of the community together with the facilities and services to enable sustainability whilst balancing the need to protect the landscape character and setting.

Early research and consultation with the Parish community will provide the basis for the NDP.

We understand that Forest of Dean District Council will advertise the application for 6 weeks and they will contact us if they have any queries prior to the approval decision. Please would you address any communication to myself as Parish Clerk.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Maliphant

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Parish Clerk

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*Can you get statutory
processes underway.
Thanks Peter.*