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Introduction

The purpose of this document

1. This document provides a record of the publication that took place regarding the Gainsborough Neighbourhood Development Plan Area and related Neighbourhood Planning Body. The main methods used to promote the publication process are also documented, along with the main findings from the publication. As this was only a publication process and not a more open consultation, the response rate is not expected to be high.

2. This formal publication period provided members of the public and other key stakeholders an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed neighbourhood plan area and proposed neighbourhood planning body for Gainsborough. The proposed neighbourhood planning body is Gainsborough Town Council and the proposed neighbourhood planning area is shown in appendix 1 along with the rest of the town council’s application.

Regulations and government guidance

3. The regulations associated with this first stage of neighbourhood planning provide guidance on the criteria to be included for this phase. Within this publication, we as the local planning authority must publicise on our website:

   - a copy of the area application
   - details of how to make representations; and
   - the date by which those representations must be received, being:
     - (i) In the case of an application to which paragraph (2)(b) of regulation 6A applies, not less than four weeks from the date on which the area application is first publicised;
     - (i) in all other cases, not less than six weeks from the date on which the area application is first publicised.

Publication timescales

4. The publication period for this stage of the neighbourhood development plan process must cover a minimum period of four weeks. The proposed publication period is from the 28 November 2016 to the 6 January 2017.

   Timescales break down as follows:

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1 Regulation 6, Town and Country Planning, England – The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, April 2012 (Amended)
Previous consultation
5. This matter has not been the subject of previous consultation. The town council are at the earliest stages of their neighbourhood plan development process.

Publication responses

6. We received 1 response to the publication which can be seen in appendix 3. The response was in support of the production of a neighbourhood plan and provided no objection to the proposed designation. This is generally in keeping with the low response rate that we receive with neighbourhood plan area consultations. The breakdown of responses received are;

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Outcomes

7. The results of this publication will be used by the council to decide whether or not to approve the Gainsborough Neighbourhood Planning Area and body for the neighbourhood planning process to be undertaken by Gainsborough Town Council.

8. West Lindsey District Council has approved the application by **Gainsborough Town Council** to have the town parish of Gainsborough designated as a neighbourhood area, for the purposes of producing a neighbourhood plan (see appendix 2).
West Lindsey District Council  
The Guildhall  
Marshallis Yard  
Gainsborough  
Lincolnshire  
DN21 2NA  

For the attention of Luke Brown  

Dear Sir,  

Re: Neighbourhood Plan  

Gainsborough Town Council are formally requesting to West Lindsey District Council to designate Town Boundary as a Neighbourhood Plan Area. The Council are seeking to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the area in order to provide additional context, policy and aspirations in order for town to improve in the future.  

The Town Council understand that this request for a Neighbourhood Plan Area designation is subject to a 4 week public consultation.  

Matthew Gleadell  
Town Clerk
Dear Town Clerk

GAINSBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA APPROVAL

Regulation 7 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (Amended 2016)

West Lindsey District Council has approved the application by Gainsborough Town Council to have the town of Gainsborough designated as a neighbourhood area, for the purposes of producing a neighbourhood plan.

The application for the neighbourhood area has been subject to a statutory 4 week consultation period (Regulation 6 (amended)) which ended on 6th January 2017. No representations were made, although 1 general observation was received. In accordance with the above regulation, Gainsborough Neighbourhood Area is approved from 9th January 2017 and has been signed under delegated powers.

Yours sincerely

Mark Sturgess
Chief Operating Officer
Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to give my opinion regarding the neighborhood plan for Gainsborough, I retain that plan extraordinary all the citizens will benefit from those improvement, our town will stand out and will grow economically.

I retain more people will choose this town as place to live for his great location as is situated between few great cities like Lincoln and Sheffield, it will increase the tourism, like people will not any longer will came to visit only the Old Hall but also the marina and consequently the town center.

It will be very beneficial for the town and the citizens, employment and house prices will raise so we will not be anymore such a poor town; hopefully all these will happen very soon as we really need a hint of life in these town.

Also I heard that the old school will be demolished in order to built a new development of housing, in my opinion it will be nicer to keep the building for his own beauty and a piece of history of the town, perhaps could be converted into restaurants, cafe' and shops in the marina and will also will enlarge the river walk and centre.

I really hope this town will grown quickly economically and don't be anymore a very poor unsophisticated town in the countryside but Gainsborough a town in the modern era full of culture and recourse.

Kind Regards

Giannicola Morana