

# Record of an executive decision taken under delegated authority by a council officer



## REFERENCE:

**NAME OF DECISION MAKER:** Dr Anthony Leonard

**DATE:** 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016

**POSITION:** Executive Director of Business Operations

## Subject of report:

### **Burwash Neighbourhood Plan Area Application**

Further to Cabinet minute CB14/80 (April 2014) the Executive Director of Business Operations, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning and the relevant local Member(s), has delegated authority to determine, and designate, future applications for a Neighbourhood Area for a single Parish that are made by that Parish Council.

## Date of decision

**June 2016**

## Decision made

That the designation of Burwash Civil Parish respectively as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of Neighbourhood Planning be confirmed.

## Reasons for the decision

Neighbourhood Planning is part of the Government's initiative to empower local communities to take forward planning proposals at a local level. This is outlined in Section 116 of the Localism Act.

Burwash Parish Council, as the relevant body for the purposes of designation, submitted an application to Rother District Council to become a "Designated Area" in order to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for Burwash parish.

Burwash Parish Council submitted in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) as part of its application the following:

- A map identifying the area;
- Statement explaining why it is considered an appropriate neighbourhood area; and
- A statement that the organisation making the application is a relevant body.

In conformity with the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations the consultation for the Area application ran for 6 weeks commencing on Friday 22 April 2016 and closed on 3rd June 2016 at 4.30pm. The consultation returned no representations.

It should be noted that Neighbourhood Plans should be in general conformity to the adopted Core Strategy and that planning officers will continue to liaise with the relevant body over the development of policies and proposals in the Neighbourhood Plan.


Following the decision Burwash Parish Council will be informed as soon as possible. Relevant Members for Burwash Ward (Cllr E. Kirby-Green) and the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning (Cllr G. Johnson) have been contacted and support the designation.

**Options considered**

n/a

**Conflict of Interest (declared by any executive member consulted in relation to the decision and any dispensation granted).**

**Background Documents**

  
BURWASH NP AREA  
APPLICATION.pdf

