

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL****KIRTON IN LINDSEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – DESIGNATION OF
NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA****1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To inform the Cabinet Member about the outcome of the six-week consultation on Kirton in Lindsey Town Council's application to have their area formally designated for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.
- 1.2 To seek the Cabinet Member's approval to formally designate Kirton in Lindsey Town Council's area for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Localism Act 2011 introduced new opportunities for local communities to get involved in planning their areas by preparing neighbourhood plans, neighbourhood development orders, and community right to build orders. The Act and associated neighbourhood planning regulations give town/parish councils and neighbourhood forums powers to shape and encourage the delivery of new development.
- 2.2 The local planning authority is under a duty to support and is obliged by law to help people draw up their neighbourhood plans. The Place Planning and Housing team has held discussions with Kirton in Lindsey Town Council and members of the local community as part of awareness-raising about neighbourhood planning and to explain the neighbourhood planning process.
- 2.3 Before town/parish councils or neighbourhood forums can begin the work of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan they must apply to have the area they wish the plan to cover to be formally designated.
- 2.4 The council is responsible for receiving and determining applications for the designation of a neighbourhood area. The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 prescribe time limits for the determination of a neighbourhood area application. They require the council to advertise the application for a consultation period of not less than six weeks. All representations received must then be considered and a recommendation made to either designate or to not designate the neighbourhood area.
- 2.5 Once the application for designation is publicised and comments invited a decision must then be issued within 13 weeks. Thereafter, the council is required to publicise the designation. If the council fails to determine the

application within 13 weeks it must designate the area as a neighbourhood area.

- 2.6 Kirton in Lindsey Town Council wishes to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan and submitted an application on 17 July 2018 to have its area formally designated for this purpose. The application was published and publicised for the required six-week period to allow comments to be made. The six-week period ran from 1 October until 9 November 2018.
- 2.7 Three questions were asked as part of the consultation, as follows:
- 1) Do you think the area proposed by Kirton in Lindsey Town Council is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
 - 2) Do you think the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed?
 - 3) Do you have any other comments on the Neighbourhood Area Application?
- 2.8 Comments were received from 10 organisations and individuals. A full report of these comments can be found in Appendix 1.
- 2.9 Three respondents to the first question support the proposed Neighbourhood Area stating that, for example, it is the most appropriate. The remaining seven respondents did not comment on the suitability of the Area.
- 2.10 Three respondents to the second question feel that the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area should not be changed. One respondent requests that the proposed boundary should include Gainsthorpe Road as they are a resident of this road and very much consider themselves to be part of the Kirton in Lindsey community. Six respondents do not provide an answer to this question.
- 2.11 Three respondents provide positive comments to the third question stating that, for example, the ability of the Town Council to develop a neighbourhood plan will help in reserving the character of the Town with recognition of its history, preservation of the rural environment and a place the people will choose to live in.
- 2.12 Other respondents provide advice on matters for future consideration in relation to water resources and flood risk, the natural environment, and the gas distribution network.
- 2.13 One respondent to the third question considers themselves to be Kirton-based (even though their property lies within Hibaldstow parish) and that future plans for Kirton are more likely to impact them on their side of the A15 than those of the Hibaldstow area. A second respondent would like the borough and police boundaries changing so that Kirton-in-Lindsey and the surrounding neighbourhood area are not split into West Lindsey and North Lincs, with the police being either Humberside-based or Lincolnshire-based.
- 2.14 Comments relating to a boundary change are noted. However, the Neighbourhood Area reflects the Town Council boundary because the whole

of the parish is affected by development and demands on the infrastructure. This application asks if the proposed Neighbourhood Area can be supported, not whether the parish boundary should be moved to incorporate additional properties, and not whether North Lincolnshire Council and/or Police Force boundaries should be amended.

- 2.15 Based on the consultation responses there are no reasons why the neighbourhood area boundary should not be formally designated. A decision document which will be issued to the Town Council and placed in relevant locations following any approval is attached in Appendix 2. A formal notice which will appear on local notice boards and on the council website, again following approval, is attached in Appendix 3.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 There are two options for consideration:

3.2 **Option 1** – formally designate the Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area and publicise the designation.

3.3 **Option 2** – do not formally designate the Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area and do not publicise the designation.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 **Option 1** would ensure that the council meets its duties under the Localism Act and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations to advertise the application of the neighbourhood area status. It would also allow the council to discharge its duty to support communities wishing to undertake neighbourhood planning. As no relevant objections were raised to the proposed neighbourhood area there is no reason why it should not be designated. This is the preferred option.

4.2 **Option 2** would mean that the council would not meet its duties under the Localism Act and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations to advertise the application of the neighbourhood area status. It would also mean that the council would not discharge its duty to support communities wishing to undertake neighbourhood planning. Furthermore, it would delay Kirton in Lindsey Town Council in the timely preparation of its Neighbourhood Plan. If the council fails to determine the application within 13 weeks it must designate the area as a neighbourhood area.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

Financial

5.1 The council can submit bids to the Department for Communities & Local Government (DCLG) for funding assistance. This is intended to cover its costs in terms of some aspects of neighbourhood planning including providing advice and assistance to local communities. Local planning authorities can

now claim £20,000 once they have set a date for a referendum following a successful examination.

- 5.2 The neighbourhood planning process includes the requirement for an independent examination of the plan and for a referendum that ensures that the community has a final say on whether a neighbourhood plan is adopted. These should be organised and paid for by the local authority.
- 5.3 The 2018-22 Neighbourhood Planning Support Programme aims to continue delivering support to communities who are interested in creating a neighbourhood plan. Community groups are able to access a range of free help including financial support and the latest planning expertise from trained professionals to guide them through the process of preparing a neighbourhood plan.
- 5.4 Financial assistance is available in the form of grants of up to £9,000 to help them with their costs. In addition, groups in certain priority areas are eligible to apply for a further £8,000 grant funding and technical support packages. Also, parishes with a neighbourhood plan are eligible to receive up to 25% of any Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) monies arising from development in their area.

Staffing

- 5.5 The Place Planning and Housing team will provide the staffing resources required for supporting the neighbourhood planning process. Officers in Legal and Democratic Services will organise and administer any referendum that is subsequently required.
- 5.6 There are no further resource implications.

6. OUTCOME OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

- 6.1 An integrated impact assessment has been completed and no issues of concern are apparent.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED

- 7.1 The Place Planning and Housing team has actively supported Kirton in Lindsey Town Council and members of the local community as part of awareness-raising about neighbourhood planning and to explain the neighbourhood planning process. The local community is keen to develop a Plan and has set up a Steering Group which will drive the Plan forward.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 That the Cabinet Member notes the contents of this report.
- 8.2 That the Cabinet Member endorses the approach set out in Option 1 of this report.

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Background papers used in the preparation of this report

- Town and Country Planning Act 1990, section 61G
- Localism Act 2011
- The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012
- The Neighbourhood Planning (General) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

Appendix 1 - Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area: Consultation Responses

RESPONDENT #1
Mr. N Dakin, MP (via Email and Letter)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
I would like to support Kirton Town Council in requesting that the parish council area boundary be designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
No.
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
I am very supportive of the Town Council's request and hope that North Lincolnshire Council accede to it. This will help in reserving the character of the Town with recognition of its history, preservation of the rural environment and a place the people will choose to live in.

RESPONDENT #2
Nina Wilson, Nottinghamshire County Council (via Email)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
N/A
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
N/A
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
No comments to make at this stage of the process.

RESPONDENT #3
Anglian Water Services Limited (via Email)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
N/A
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
N/A
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
<p>We have no comments to make at this time, however if the Neighbourhood Plan progresses we would welcome the opportunity to make representations on draft stages on any aspects relevant to Anglian Water as water company for the designated area.</p> <p>Also could please inform Kirton in Lindsey Town Council that Anglian Water has prepared a guidance note relating to the preparation of neighbourhood plans. This is intend to assist Parish/Town Councils preparing neighbourhood plans in the Anglian Water company area and provide guidance relating to infrastructure provided by Anglian Water.</p> <p>The Guidance Note is available to view on our website at the following address: http://www.anglianwater.co.uk/about-us/stakeholder-engagement.aspx</p>

RESPONDENT #4
Joanne Widgery, Natural England (via Email)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
N/A
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
N/A
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
<p>Natural England does not wish to make comment on the suitability of the proposed plan area or the proposed neighbourhood planning body.</p> <p>However we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with information sources the neighbourhood planning body may wish to use in developing the plan, and to highlight some of the potential environmental risks and opportunities that neighbourhood plans may present. We have set this out in the annex to this letter.</p> <p><u>Natural England's role</u> Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable</p>

development. The local planning authority will be aware and should advise the neighbourhood planning body when Natural England should be consulted further on the neighbourhood plan.

Planning policy for the natural environment

Neighbourhood plans and orders present significant opportunities, but also potential risks, for the natural environment. Proposals should be in line with the National Planning Policy Framework. The key principles are set out in paragraph 109:

The planning system should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:

- protecting and enhancing valued landscapes, geological conservation interests and soils;
- recognising the wider benefits of ecosystem services;
- minimising impacts on biodiversity and providing net gains in biodiversity where possible, contributing to the Government's commitment to halt the overall decline in biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures.

The neighbourhood planning body should also consider the natural environment policies in the area's Local Plan. The neighbourhood plan should be consistent with these, and the neighbourhood planning body may decide that the emerging Neighbourhood Plan should provide more detail as to how some of these policies apply or are interpreted locally.

The attached annex sets out sources of environmental information and some natural environment issues you may wish to consider as the neighbourhood plan or order is developed.

Annex 1 - Neighbourhood planning and the natural environment: information, issues and opportunities

Natural environment information sources

The Magic1 website will provide you with much of the nationally held natural environment data for your plan area. The most relevant layers for you to consider are: Agricultural Land Classification, Ancient Woodland, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Local Nature Reserves, National Parks (England), National Trails, Priority Habitat Inventory, public rights of way (on the Ordnance Survey base map) and Sites of Special Scientific Interest (including their impact risk zones). Local environmental record centres may hold a range of additional information on the natural environment. A list of local record centres is available here2.

Priority habitats are those habitats of particular importance for nature conservation, and the list of them can be found here3. Most of these will be mapped either as Sites of Special Scientific Interest, on the Magic website or as Local Wildlife Sites. Your local planning authority should be able to supply you with the locations of Local Wildlife Sites.

National Character Areas (NCAs) divide England into 159 distinct natural areas. Each character area is defined by a unique combination of landscape, biodiversity, geodiversity and cultural and economic activity. NCA profiles contain descriptions of the area and statements of environmental opportunity, which may be useful to inform proposals in your plan. NCA information can be found here4.

There may also be a local landscape character assessment covering your area. This is a tool to help understand the character and local distinctiveness of the landscape and identify the features that give it a sense of place. It can help to inform, plan and manage change in the area. Your local planning authority should be able to help you access these if you can't find them online.

If your neighbourhood planning area is within or adjacent to a National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), the relevant National Park/AONB Management Plan for the area will set out useful information about the protected landscape. You can access the plans on from the relevant National Park Authority or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty website.

General mapped information on soil types and Agricultural Land Classification is available (under 'landscape') on the Magic5 website and also from the LandIS website6, which contains more information about obtaining soil data.

Natural environment issues to consider

The National Planning Policy Framework7 sets out national planning policy on protecting and enhancing the natural environment. Planning Practice Guidance8 sets out supporting guidance.

Your local planning authority should be able to provide you with further advice on the potential impacts of your plan or order on the natural environment and the need for any environmental assessments.

Landscape

Your plans or orders may present opportunities to protect and enhance locally valued landscapes. You may want to consider identifying distinctive local landscape features or characteristics such as ponds, woodland or dry stone walls and think about how any new development proposals can respect and enhance local landscape character and distinctiveness.

If you are proposing development within or close to a protected landscape (National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) or other sensitive location, we recommend that you carry out a landscape assessment of the proposal. Landscape assessments can help you to choose the most appropriate sites for development and help to avoid or minimise impacts of development on the landscape through careful siting, design and landscaping.

Wildlife habitats

Some proposals can have adverse impacts on designated wildlife sites or other priority habitats (listed here⁹), such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest or Ancient woodland¹⁰. If there are likely to be any adverse impacts you'll need to think about how such impacts can be avoided, mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated for.

Priority and protected species

You'll also want to consider whether any proposals might affect priority species (listed here¹¹) or protected species. To help you do this, Natural England has produced advice here¹² to help understand the impact of particular developments on protected species.

Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land

Soil is a finite resource that fulfils many important functions and services for society. It is a growing medium for food, timber and other crops, a store for carbon and water, a reservoir of biodiversity and a buffer against pollution. If you are proposing development, you should seek to use areas of poorer quality agricultural land in preference to that of a higher quality in line with National Planning Policy Framework para 112. For more information, see our publication Agricultural Land Classification: protecting the best and most versatile agricultural land¹³.

Improving your natural environment

Your plan or order can offer exciting opportunities to enhance your local environment. If you are setting out policies on new development or proposing sites for development, you may wish to consider identifying what environmental features you want to be retained or enhanced or new features you would like to see created as part of any new development. Examples might include:

- Providing a new footpath through the new development to link into existing rights of way.
- Restoring a neglected hedgerow.
- Creating a new pond as an attractive feature on the site.
- Planting trees characteristic to the local area to make a positive contribution to the local landscape.
- Using native plants in landscaping schemes for better nectar and seed sources for bees and birds.
- Incorporating swift boxes or bat boxes into the design of new buildings.
- Think about how lighting can be best managed to encourage wildlife.
- Adding a green roof to new buildings.

You may also want to consider enhancing your local area in other ways, for example by:

- Setting out in your plan how you would like to implement elements of a wider Green Infrastructure Strategy (if one exists) in your community.
- Assessing needs for accessible greenspace and setting out proposals to address any deficiencies or enhance provision.
- Identifying green areas of particular importance for special protection through Local Green Space designation (see Planning Practice Guidance on this ¹⁴).
- Managing existing (and new) public spaces to be more wildlife friendly (e.g. by sowing wild flower strips in less used parts of parks, changing hedge cutting timings and frequency).
- Planting additional street trees.
- Identifying any improvements to the existing public right of way network, e.g. cutting back hedges, improving the surface, clearing litter or installing kissing gates) or extending the network to create missing links.
- Restoring neglected environmental features (e.g. coppicing a prominent hedge that is in poor condition, or clearing away an eyesore).

¹ <http://magic.defra.gov.uk/>

² <http://www.nbn-nfbr.org.uk/nfbr.php>

3 <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140711133551/http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/conservation/biodiversity/protectandmanage/habsandspeciesimportance.aspx>

4 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-character-area-profiles-data-for-local-decision-making>

5 <http://magic.defra.gov.uk/>

6 <http://www.landis.org.uk/index.cfm>

7 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2>

8 <http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog/guidance/natural-environment/>

9 <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140711133551/http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/conservation/biodiversity/protectandmanage/habsandspeciesimportance.aspx>

10 <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ancient-woodland-and-veteran-trees-protection-surveys-licences>

11 <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140711133551/http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/conservation/biodiversity/protectandmanage/habsandspeciesimportance.aspx>

12 <https://www.gov.uk/protected-species-and-sites-how-to-review-planning-proposals>

13 <http://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/publication/35012>

14 <http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog/guidance/open-space-sports-and-recreation-facilities-public-rights-of-way-and-local-green-space/local-green-space-designation/>

RESPONDENT #5

Hannah Lorna Bevin, Wood on behalf of National Grid (via Email)

Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?

N/A

Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)

N/A

Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?

About National Grid

National Grid owns and operates the high voltage electricity transmission system in England and Wales and operate the Scottish high voltage transmission system. National Grid also owns and operates the gas transmission system. In the UK, gas leaves the transmission system and enters the distribution networks at high pressure. It is then transported through a number of reducing pressure tiers until it is finally delivered to our customer. National Grid own four of the UK's gas distribution networks and transport gas to 11 million homes, schools and businesses through 81,000 miles of gas pipelines within North West, East of England, West Midlands and North London.

To help ensure the continued safe operation of existing sites and equipment and to facilitate future infrastructure investment, National Grid wishes to be involved in the preparation, alteration and review of plans and strategies which may affect our assets.

Assets in your area

National Grid has identified the following high-pressure gas transmission pipeline as falling within the Neighbourhood area boundary:

- FM07 - Blyborough to Brigg

From the consultation information provided, the above gas transmission pipeline does not interact with any of the proposed development sites.

Gas Distribution – Low / Medium Pressure

Whilst there are no implications for National Grid Gas Distribution's Intermediate / High Pressure apparatus, there may however be Low Pressure (LP) / Medium Pressure (MP) Gas Distribution pipes present within proposed development sites. If further information is required in relation to the Gas Distribution network, please contact: plantprotection@cadentgas.com

Electricity distribution

Information regarding the distribution network can be found at: www.energynetworks.org.uk

Key resources / contacts

National Grid has provided information in relation to electricity and transmission assets via the following internet link: <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/>

Please remember to consult National Grid on any Neighbourhood Plan Documents or site-specific proposals that could affect our infrastructure. We would be grateful if you could add our details shown below to your consultation database:

- Hannah Lorna Bevins, Consultant Town Planner n.grid@amecfw.com
- Spencer Jefferies, Development Liaison Officer, National Grid box.landandacquisitions@nationalgrid.com

RESPONDENT #6

Charlotte Blow, Resident (via Email)

Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?

N/A
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
Having seen the proposal for the designation of the neighbourhood area for Kirton in Lindsey, I would request that it be considered to include Gainsthorpe Road, I'm a resident on this road and very much consider my area and myself to be part of Kirton in Lindsey, and am active within the Kirton community.
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
Our address and the local businesses, such as the off road centre and The Shires consider themselves to also be Kirton based, I feel we are disjointed as part of Hibaldstow, and somewhat sidelined in terms of support from the parish council. I also feel that the future plans of Kirton are more likely to impact us on this side of the A15 than those of the Hibaldstow area.

RESPONDENT #7
Deb Roberts, Coal Authority (via Email)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
N/A
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
N/A
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
As the designation area falls outside the defined coalfield area, we have no specific comments to make on it.

RESPONDENT #8
Nicola Farr, Environment Agency (via Email)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
No concerns with the proposed neighbourhood area designation.
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
No.
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
We wouldn't expect a neighbourhood plan for Kirton to raise any serious issues for us; there are small areas of Flood Zone 3 along the western and northern boundaries but it is unlikely development would be promoted there. Similarly, there is one watercourse monitored under the Water Framework Directive, a tributary of the Eau, but this is not a main river and does not flow through the centre of the village.
However, if the Parish Council would like us to provide any environmental information or comment on their initial draft, they are welcome to contact us by email at lnplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk .

RESPONDENT #9
Victoria Woodward, Resident (via Survey Monkey)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
Not sure that I think the area proposed by Kirton in Lindsey Town Council is a suitable Neighbourhood Area.
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
Cannot comment on whether I think the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed until I have seen the neighbourhood plan.
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
I would like the borough and police boundaries changing so Kirton - in - Lindsey and surrounding neighbourhood area is not split, into West Lindsey, and North Lincs, and the police being either Humberside or Lincolnshire police. It is all extremely confusing, and messy as the boundaries are at present.

RESPONDENT #10
Jack Startin, Resident (via Survey Monkey)
Question 1: Do you think the area proposed is a suitable Neighbourhood Area?
I think the area proposed by Kirton in Lindsey Town Council is a suitable Neighbourhood Area.
Question 2: Do you think the boundary of proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed? (if yes, please state why)
I do not think the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed.
Question 3: Do you have any other comments on the Area Application?
I think it's a good idea and the area suggested is the most appropriate.

Determination

Is the organisation making the area application the relevant body under section 61G(2) of the 1990 Act?	Yes
Is the neighbourhood area considered appropriate? [Section 61G(4)]	Yes
Does the area overlap another designated area? [Section 61G(7)]	No
For a joint area application, are all relevant bodies included? [Section 61G(2)]	Not Applicable
Were any comments received during the consultation period?	Yes
Summary of Comments Received	<p>Comments were received from 10 organisations and individuals.</p> <p>Three respondents support the proposed Neighbourhood Area stating that, for example, it is the most appropriate. Seven respondents did not comment on the suitability of the Area.</p> <p>Three respondents feel that the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area should not be changed. One respondent requests that the proposed boundary should include Gainsthorpe Road as they are a resident of this road and very much consider themselves to be part of the Kirton in Lindsey community. Six respondents do not comment on whether the proposed Neighbourhood Area should be changed.</p> <p>Three respondents provide positive comments stating that, for example, the ability of the Town Council to develop a neighbourhood plan will help in reserving the character of the Town with recognition of its history, preservation of the rural environment and a place the people will choose to live in. Other respondents provide advice on matters for future consideration in relation to water resources and flood risk, the natural environment, and the gas distribution network.</p> <p>One respondent considers themselves to be Kirton-based (even though their property lies within Hibaldstow parish) and that future plans for Kirton are more likely to impact them on their side of the A15 than those of the Hibaldstow area. A second respondent would like the borough and police boundaries changing so that Kirton-in-Lindsey and the surrounding neighbourhood area are not split into West Lindsey and North Lincs, with the police being either Humberside-based or Lincolnshire-based.</p>
Responses to Comments Received	Comments relating to a boundary change are noted. However, the Neighbourhood Area reflects the Town Council boundary because the whole of the parish is affected by development and demands on the infrastructure. This consultation asked if the proposed Neighbourhood Area can be supported or if the Area should be changed, not whether the parish boundary should be moved to incorporate additional properties, and not whether North Lincolnshire Council and/or Police Force boundaries should be amended.
Ward Member Comments	None received.
Are any modifications required to this or any adjoining neighbourhood area? [Section 61G(6)]	No
Any special circumstances to be taken into account	No

Decision under Regulation 7 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

The application for the designation of Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area is: **APPROVED**

Cllr Rob Waltham MBE

Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Place Shaping

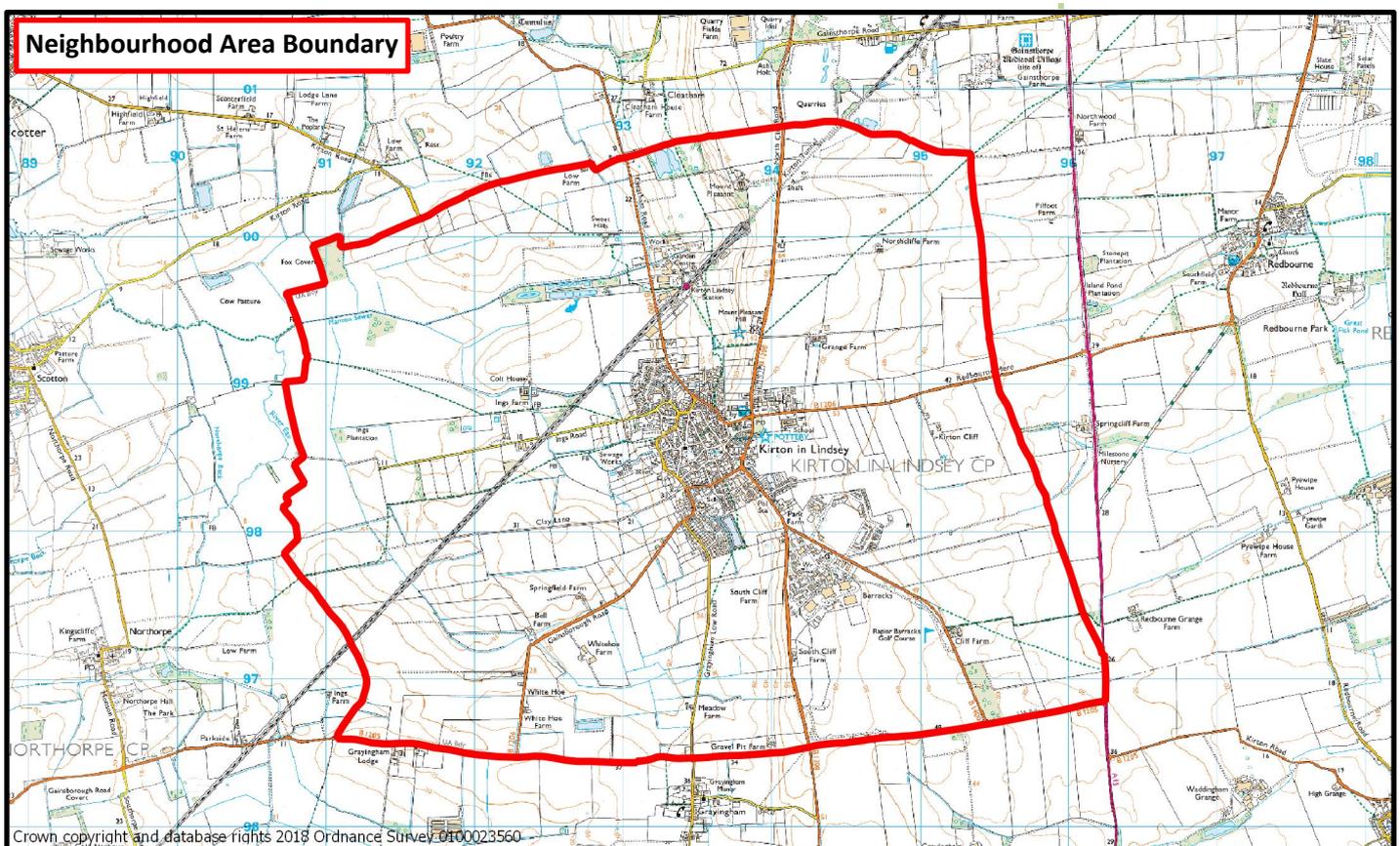
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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012 NOTIFICATION OF DESIGNATION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with regulation 7 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, that North Lincolnshire Council has designated a neighbourhood area under section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by section 116 and Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011). The details of designation are as follows:

- Name of the Neighbourhood Area: Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area
- Area Designated: Whole parish area for Kirton in Lindsey, which is the same area covered by the Town Council
- Relevant Body Who Applied for the Designation: Kirton in Lindsey Town Council

Date of Designation: [insert date]



The designation of the Kirton in Lindsey Neighbourhood Area enables the Town Council to proceed with preparation of a neighbourhood development plan for their area.

Copies of North Lincolnshire Council's decision and report to Members can be viewed on the council website at: <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/> and at the Civic Centre, Ashby Road Scunthorpe as well as at Local Link Offices in Brigg and Scunthorpe during normal opening hours.

If you have any queries regarding the neighbourhood area designation please contact the Spatial Planning team at spatial.planning@northlincs.gov.uk or call 01724 297485.

Cllr Rob Waltham MBE
Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Place Shaping

[Insert Date]