



Ripponden Parish Council

Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area

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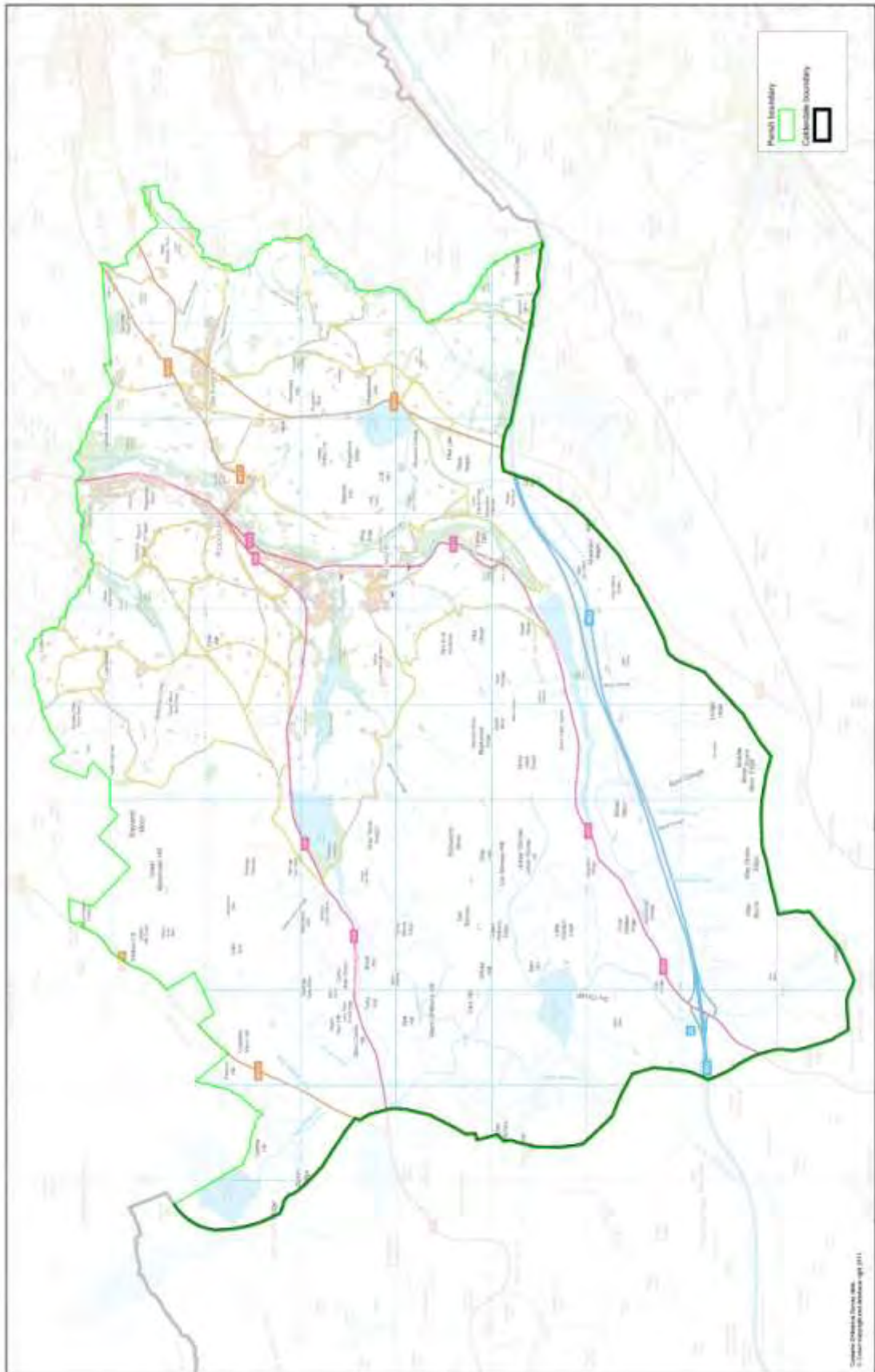
- Extract from Ordnance Survey Map identifying the outer boundaries of the Parish of Ripponden being the area to which this application relates.
- A statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area.
- A statement that the organisation making the application is relevant/and or qualifying body for the purpose of 61G of the 1990 Act as amended by the Localism Act 2012.

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1. Neighbourhood Area Designation

The proposed Neighbourhood Area Designation is inclusive of the area within the boundaries of Ripponden Parish Council (see map below)



2. Statement as to why this land should be designated

It is the intention of Ripponden Parish Council to create a Neighbourhood Development Plan, working in consultation with interested parties including but not limited to:

- The Planning Authority
- Other key public bodies
- Residents
- Businesses
- Community and Environmental organisations
- Agriculture and rural interests and
- Those interested in development.

This will ensure that taking the National Planning Policy Framework into consideration, the area will:

- Undertake and achieve development in a sustainable manner;
- Meet its housing needs and responsibilities in the right location;
- Provide for a viable economic future and promote a socially inclusive community
- Whilst at the same time caring the outstanding beauty of the landscape, the valued heritage of the area and already delineated conservation areas in the Parish.

The essential aims of the Neighbourhood Development Plan will be as follows:

Spatial and Development Principles

- To ensure that the Parish or Ripponden continues to be a vibrant, pleasant, sustainable and safe place in which to live, with facilities that meet the needs and aspirations of the people who live and work there.
- To assess and respond to the spatial issues and opportunities of the whole Neighbourhood Plan area.
- To encourage the sequential use of brownfield sites before Greenfield and green belt sites.
- To continue to promote sustainable access and transport to and within the area.

Economic

- To ensure that the Parish area maintains flourishing retail, commercial and manufacturing sectors.
- To promote tourism and a flexible use of agricultural land.
- To maximise the area's employment potential within the character of the Parish area, by the provision of land including office, retail, wholesale and industrial space in the most appropriate location.

Social

- Ensuring housing meets the needs of all sections of the community.
- To ensure that all development, as identified in the Local Plan, is provided in the right location and in sympathy with the area's rural aspect and heritage.
- To ensure that the infrastructure is developed to meet the needs of the community.
- To support the requirements of residents within the educational, health, leisure, heritage and sporting sectors; and to encourage and identify opportunities for development.

Environmental

- To maintain and protect the natural environment as well as the availability of green spaces.
- To respect the areas character, natural and heritage environment and existing townscape.

Effective Process

- To maintain a continuing dialogue between the Parish Council, the community, key partners, local organisations, developers and the local Planning Authority.
- The Neighbourhood Plan should respond and meet the aspirations of the community.

3. Statement of why this group is capable of being a 'qualifying body' for the purpose of a Neighbourhood Development Plan

Section 61G ss2a of the Town and County Planning Act 1990, (as amended by the Localism Act 2012) states that a Parish Council is a qualifying body. As such Ripponden Parish Council is a suitable 'qualifying body' for the purpose of a developing a Neighbourhood Development Plan.