



AREA DESIGNATION NOTICE

WESTHORPE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Mid Suffolk District Council received an application from Westthorpe Parish Council (the 'Relevant Body') to designate the whole of their parish as a Neighbourhood Plan Area on 23 September 2026.

The application was made under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). A copy of the application and a map identifying the area to which this relates can be found on the Council website:

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/w/westthorpe-neighbourhood-plan>

Regulation 5A states that where - "... (1)(a) a local planning authority receives an area application from a parish council" and "(1)(b) the area specified in the application consists of the whole of the parish council's area", then "(2) the local planning authority must exercise their powers under section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to designate the specified area as a neighbourhood area."

Regulations 6 and 6A relating to publicising an area application do not apply in this instance.

Therefore, in accordance with Regulation 5A(2) and Regulation 7(1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), Mid Suffolk District Council hereby give notice that it has designated the parish of Westthorpe as a neighbourhood area in order to facilitate the preparation of a neighbourhood plan by Westthorpe Parish Council.

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