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For the attention of Adrian Fox

Dear Sirs

Preparation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan by Curdridge Parish Council

Application to Designate a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

In accordance with Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Curdridge Parish Council wishes to formally notify Winchester City Council of its intention to prepare a neighbourhood development plan. It is respectfully requested that you to designate our parish as the neighbourhood area for the purposes of the plan.

Neighbourhood area

The designated area for the neighbourhood plan is to be the entire civil parish of Curdridge.

Why is this area appropriate?

The Parish Council considers the area to be appropriate because it defines the settlement of Curdridge and its hinterland which must be planned for as a whole. This has been confirmed by the recently completed governance review. Winchester City Council recognises that parish areas are an identifiable and rational component of the local plan policies map and engages with parish councils on this basis for local planning purposes. In any case, Winchester City Council is required to agree to the designation of the whole of a parish council area where this is proposed by a parish council.

Why is the parish council the relevant body?

A parish council is the only body which is permitted to seek the designation of the whole of its parished area for neighbourhood planning purposes as set out in S61G(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Our approach

The decision to proceed with a neighbourhood plan was made by the parish council at its meeting on 20th June 2024 where it was unanimously agreed that a neighbourhood plan would greatly benefit our community at a time of considerable change and uncertainty. This decision follows a period of twelve months engaging with residents, which has demonstrated that there is support for a neighbourhood plan.

We look forward to working closely with Winchester City Council throughout this process and welcome the guidance and support which we know you will provide.

Should you require any further information or wish to discuss this matter in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We look forward to your acknowledgment and confirmation of receipt of this notification.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N Oliver', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Nicki Oliver
Parish Clerk