

# ABBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

9<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Mr David Clarke  
Development, Plans and Conservation  
Malvern Hills District Council  
The Council House  
Avenue Road  
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Dear Mr Clarke

## Re: Application for Designated Neighbourhood Area for Abberley Parish

In accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, this is a formal application by Abberley Parish Council to Malvern Hills District Council for the designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area. The power to designate an area as a Neighbourhood Area is exercisable under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

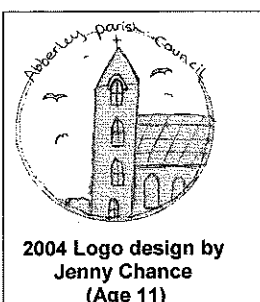
Under Regulation 5(1) of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, an area application has to include the following:

1. A map which identifies the area to which the application relates:
  - The map of the proposed Neighbourhood Area and current boundaries for the whole of Abberley Parish is attached.
2. A statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area:
  - Abberley is situated within the Malvern Hills Geopark between the River Severn and the River Teme with some historic and natural assets. The Community helped shape Abberley Parish Plan produced in 2008 and it is hoped a Neighbourhood Plan will galvanise future growth in Abberley. It will also help protect and enhance the natural environment from inappropriate development, in order to retain the character and individual identity of the area.
3. A statement that the body making the area application is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G (2) of the 1990 Act;
  - Abberley Parish Council is the relevant body for the purposes of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, section 61G (2) as specified by paragraph 2(a) of Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011 for the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan.

Please let me know if any additional information is required.

Yours sincerely

Anne Watson  
Clerk



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