Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council

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Dear Mr Clarke

This is an application by Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council for the designation of the parish of Welland as a neighbourhood area in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

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 (which came into force on 6 April 2012), an area application has to include:

1. A map which identifies the area to which the area application relates;

The map of the proposed neighbourhood area is attached and constitutes the whole of the parish of Welland and so satisfies section 61G(3) of the Act.

2. A statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area;

The area is appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area because it covers the whole Welland parish boundary area. Whilst Welland village benefits from a variety of local facilities and natural assets, it currently lacks identity. In the past piecemeal development has come forward in isolation, rather than being part of a vision for the village as a whole. The neighbourhood plan will help shape the future growth of the village through a community led approach, promoting innovation and engendering a strong sense of place, making Welland an attractive place to live, work and play in.

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;

Little Malvern & Welland 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.

Yours sincerely

David Sharp Clerk Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council