## EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Richard

## Application for Designation of a Neighbourhood Area: East Leake

East Leake Parish Council, being a 'relevant body' as required by legalisation under Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, wishes to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan and formally applies for the Parish to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area. We confirm that East Leake Parish Council is a relevant body for the purposes of Section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act due to it being a local authority in its own right, bound by statute and accountable to the community that it serves.

The Neighbourhood Area defined by the Parish Council is the whole of the civil parish of East Leake as outlined on the attached Parish map.

We consider the defined area to be an appropriate area for designation as a Neighbourhood area for the following reasons:

- The area defined is covered by East Leake Parish Council in its entirety. The Neighbourhood Area will sit comfortably with electorate and the existing sense of community that currently exists can continue to be built upon as the Plan is created.
- 2. The area defined has been the subject of recent community-led and local authority-led planning exercises, involving local consultation, namely:
  - Village Plan 2004
  - Community Plan 2012 ongoing
  - Neighbourhood Workshops
  - Community Plan Open days
  - Neighbourhood Plan Project Team Terms of Reference and Membership Lesley Bancroft, Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer to the Parish Council

- East Leake Neighbourhood Plan Provisional Project Plan
- Draft Vision
- 3. The Parish Council works actively to include residents and stakeholders from all parts of the Parish

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lesley Bancroft Clerk to the Parish Council