

Application for the Designation of a Neighbourhood Area (Regulation 5)

Neighbourhood area applications should only be made by an organisation which meets the requirements for being designated as a neighbourhood forum as set out in [Section 61F\(5\) of the TCPA 1990](#).

This application form is intended to help you with your application and to ensure that you provide all necessary information required under [Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning \(General\) Regulations 2012](#). You do not have to use this form but an application will need to include all information required under the Regulation 5.

Please note that the information provided on this application form and its supporting documents will be made public.

If you require any further information, or would like to discuss your proposed neighbourhood area application with the Council before you submit it, please contact the Council’s Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Team at planning.policy@bury.gov.uk

1. Applicant details	
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Please note that these details will be publicly available	

2. Name of the proposed Neighbourhood Area

Proposed Area name:

Prestwich Village Forum Area

3. Neighbourhood Area details

- a) Please attach a map (Ordnance Survey based at an appropriate scale) which clearly identifies (in red) the boundary of the proposed Neighbourhood Area.
- b) Please attach a statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area. *This could, for example, explain the thinking behind why the boundaries were chosen, a description of the character of the area included and any evidence demonstrating that residents/businesses across the area feel that they identify with this particular neighbourhood.*

The Forum have formed the neighbourhood plan area using a suitable distance from the village centre for all of the residents who live and work and would be affected by the redevelopment of the village centre. In doing so The Forum considered the existing wards and boundaries, and guidance as set out within the Neighbourhood Planning Government Guidance.

The physical boundary of the map, was established by considering the following:

- The existing village and physical settlement boundary areas including expansion areas.
- The catchment area for walking to local services such as shops, primary schools, doctors' surgery, parks and other facilities
- The area where formal or informal networks of community based groups operate;
- The physical appearance or characteristics of the neighbourhood, for example buildings that are of a consistent scale or style; including the adjacent conservation area.
- The area forms part of coherent estate boundaries including residential and business areas
- The village centre contains both businesses and residential uses including leisure, retail, health/wellbeing and educational facilities
- The map uses infrastructure and physical features to define a natural boundary, including major roads, the tramlines and stations, motorways
- The Forum considered in depth the inclusion of vast amounts of greenbelt and already protected greenspaces such as the Clough, Drinkwater, Waterdale and St Mary's parks which fall naturally within the boundary being part of the village. We chose to respect the planning policies which protected these open spaces already, and therefore included St Marys Park only, and the Clough as they formed a logical physical boundary which was inclusive to the health and wellbeing aspects of the village given their proximity.
- We have 3 ward boundaries which none follow a logical, physical boundary. There are no parish Council areas within here therefore we chose to use the above bullets as being the most appropriate method for determining a boundary. Within those 3 wards the characteristics of deprivation/education and social populous varies.

4. More about the organisation

Please attach a statement setting out that the organisation submitting the Neighbourhood Area application is a 'relevant body' for the purposes of [Section 61G of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990](#). 'Relevant body' means either a parish/town council; a Community Organisation; or a body which is, or is capable of being, designated as a Neighbourhood Forum in accordance with the requirements of [Section 61F\(5\) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990](#).

Under S 61G of the TCPA 1990 Act

The forum is capable of being designated as a Neighbourhood Forum being a relevant body in accordance with [Section 61F\(5\) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990](#).

The Forum, being a relevant body has demonstrated compliance of being a relevant body by establishing

1)A neighbourhood area: **The Prestwich Village Neighbourhood Forum has applied to the LPA to be designated as a neighbourhood area**

2)A relevant body: **has been established to apply for designation of the forum, this being the Prestwich Village Neighbourhood Forum, meeting the legislative requirements**

3) The specified area: **The application is by a relevant body and does not include an area of the parish council, town council or other relevant body as per the neighbourhood plan area previously submitted which includes St Marys ward and parts of Sedgeley and Holyrood wards. The plan area is attached again.**

4) In determining an application the authority must have regard to—

(a)the desirability of designating the whole of the area of a parish council as a neighbourhood area, and **(Not applicable as no parish council)**

(b)the desirability of maintaining the existing boundaries of areas already designated as neighbourhood areas. **(not applicable..no areas designated as neighbourhood areas yet)**

(5)If—

(a)a valid application is made to the authority: **The Forum application is valid meeting the required legislation**

(b)some or all of the specified area has not been designated as a neighbourhood area, and **(not applicable as there is no specified area other than the proposed Prestwich village neighbourhood plan area)**

(c)the authority refuse the application because they consider that the specified area is not an appropriate area to be designated as a neighbourhood area. **The Prestwich Village neighbourhood plan area is an appropriate area to be designated as there are no conflicts with other parish council/town council or other designated neighbourhood areas.**

All of the proposed area of the Prestwich Village neighbourhood Forum forms the area to be designated as a neighbourhood area.

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5. Declaration	
I hereby apply for designation of a neighbourhood area as described in this form and in the attached supporting documents.	
Signed	Andrea Turner
Date	9.1.23

Next steps

In accordance with Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (Publicising a neighbourhood area application), Bury Council will, as soon as possible after receiving the application, publicise and invite comments on the application for a 6-week period.

Submitting the application form

Please submit this form, and attached documentation, by email to the Council's Strategic Planning and Infrastructure team at planning.policy@bury.gov.uk.

Alternatively, please post the form and supporting documents to:

Strategic Planning and Infrastructure
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Duke Street
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