



ELSTREE and BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Mr Silverman

Application for designation of a neighbourhood area

Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council, as a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), hereby requests that the entirety of the Town Council's boundary be designated as a Neighbourhood Area as specified in Schedule 9 61G of the Localism Act. The proposed area is shown on the enclosed map.

The Town Council considers this an appropriate area for designating as a Neighbourhood Area for the following reasons:

- The Town Council boundaries represent existing and well-established boundaries.
- This complies with guidance given in the Neighbourhood Planning Guidance note (Process for preparing a neighbourhood plan) prepared by Hertsmere Borough Council, which suggests that "the boundary is inclusive of all properties under the Parish, and preferably that the boundary line follows that of the Local Plan".
- The proposed neighbourhood area comprises the main settlements of Borehamwood and Elstree and the surrounding rural area. A neighbourhood Plan would offer the community the opportunity to consider how they would like to shape development in the area over the next 15 to 20 years. It is anticipated that the Plan will explore the type and design of new development, supporting local employment opportunities, encouraging active travel, safeguarding valued natural and built assets and encouraging community cohesion.

To date, a Steering Group comprising local volunteers and local town councillors has been established. An initial launch event for the Plan took place earlier this year and demonstrated strong support for the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. A detailed programme of local engagement is currently being drawn up.

The Town Council and the Elstree and Borehamwood Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group looks forward to developing a Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely



Huw Jones
Town Clerk

