

## Extract of the Planning Committee minutes of the meeting 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Runnymede Borough Council

#### PLANNING COMMITTEE

14 October 2020 at 6.30pm via MS Teams

Members of  
Committee present

Councillors, J Broadhead, I Chaudhri, M Cressey,  
E Gill, C Howarth, R King, M Kusneraitis,  
I Mullens, P Snow, J Sohi, S Whyte, M Willingale  
and J Wilson

Members of the  
Committee absent:

Councillors Anderson-Bassey and M Nuti

Councillors L Gilham and J Olorenshaw also attended the meeting via MS Teams as non-members of the Committee

#### **DESIGNATION OF OTTERSHAW NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM AND OTTERSHAW NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA**

The Council had received applications for the designation of an Ottershaw Neighbourhood Forum and an Ottershaw Neighbourhood Area under the Localism Act 2011.

The geographic extent of the proposed neighbourhood area submitted with the application and that covered by the prospective Forum was proposed to be bound by Stonehill Road to the north west, the St Peter's Hospital site and A320 to the north, a range of features including the River Bourne, the M25, a number of roads, the edges of established residential development and parts of recognised footpaths to the east/southeast, and the Borough boundary to the west. The proposed area was contained entirely within the Ottershaw ward although excluded the area bounded by Spinney Hill, Ongar Hill, Hare Hill and The Ridings, the Scout Hut and Creepers Nursery, which the prospective forum considered to be part of the separate Rowtown community, and the area to the east of the M25, which the prospective forum considered to be part of the Addlestone community.

The applications had been subject to public consultation. Twelve letters of representation had been received and a summary thereof was given. Six of these letters were from local residents and generally raised objections to the extent of the neighbourhood area proposed. Two of these letters also raised concerns about the role and remit of the Neighbourhood Forum.

The Neighbourhood Forum application was considered to fully meet the conditions set out within the relevant Act of parliament and associated regulations. The geographical extent of the proposed Neighbourhood Area was also considered appropriate and compliant with relevant regulations.

Officers responded to a question from a Member on the inclusion of Hare Hill open space within the Neighbourhood Area and associated potential implications for the future Referendum.

The Committee supported the designation of the Neighbourhood Area and Forum as proposed.

Cllrs Gill, Gillham and Harden were thanked for leading the way on Neighbourhood Plans with their work on the Thorpe Neighbourhood Plan and for assistance given to other areas in the borough on developing their Plans.

**RESOLVED that:**

- i) The Ottershaw Neighbourhood Area be designated as identified on the plan attached at Appendix D to the Agenda; and
- ii) The Ottershaw Neighbourhood Forum be designated to cover the area as shown on the plan at Appendix D to the Agenda.