

## Town & Country Planning Act 1990 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations (General) Regulations 2012 (As amended)

On 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015, Hargrave Parish Council applied to St Edmundsbury Borough Council to designate the whole of the Hargrave Parish boundary as a Neighbourhood Area for preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

The application was made under Regulation 5 of the above regulations. Comments were invited on the application between 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and 5pm on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

The consultation process was carried out in the following manner to bring the area application to the attention of people who live, work and carry out business in the area to which the application relates: An advert was placed in the Bury Free Press newspaper 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015; a press release was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015; direct notification of landowners and businesses and other interested parties in the Hargrave parish area known to St Edmundsbury Borough Council; direct notification of neighbouring districts, parishes and statutory consultation bodies. The area application and map of the area were placed online at <a href="www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/hargraveplan">www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/hargraveplan</a> and hard copies were available for inspection at West Suffolk House, Bury St Edmunds.

A total of 15 responses were received to the area consultation which can be viewed at the web link above.

As no material objections were received, the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Growth can designate the Neighbourhood Area through delegated powers under the council's constitution.

A map identifying the designated Hargrave neighbourhood area can be viewed at: <a href="https://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/hargraveplan">www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/hargraveplan</a>

Under Regulations 6a and 7 of the above regulations (as amended) and following the statutory consultation period, the Borough Council has designated the application area as a Neighbourhood Area in order to facilitate the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan by Hargrave Parish Council.

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