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

On 10 May 2017, Ixworth and Ixworth Thorpe Parish Councils applied to St Edmundsbury Borough Council to designate the whole of the Ixworth and Ixworth Thorpe Parish boundaries 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 25 May and 22 June 2017.

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 East Anglian Daily Times newspaper week commencing 29 May 2017; direct notification of residents, landowners and businesses and other interested parties in the Ixworth and Ixworth Thorpe 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 <u>www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/ixworthplan</u> and hard copies were available for inspection at West Suffolk House, Bury St Edmunds.

A total of 13 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 Ixworth and Ixworth Thorpe neighbourhood area can be viewed at: <u>www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/ixworthplan</u>

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 Ixworth and Ixworth Thorpe Parish Councils.

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