



ARDLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

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By Planning Services

Dear Ms Bicknell

Neighbourhood Area Designation- Ardleigh Neighbourhood Plan

Ardleigh Parish Council resolved at its meeting on 11 November 2019 to begin the process of developing Neighbourhood Plan. Please treat this letter as our application for the whole of the Ardleigh Parish to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area. Ardleigh Parish Council is a relevant body to make this application for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Act.

We enclose a map showing the area in question- this was taken from our Village Design Statement completed in 2011, and we believe this still forms an accurate view of the current parish boundaries. If your opinion of the boundaries of the Ardleigh Parish differs from this map, please let me know by return. Otherwise it will be assumed that the attachment shows the boundaries of Ardleigh Parish.

We consider that is appropriate for the whole of Ardleigh Parish to be designated. Hence, we wish to include all our settlements (Ardleigh Village Centre, Ardleigh Heath, Burnt Heath, John De Bois Hill, Fox Street and Crockleford Heath) and the surrounding areas which fall within our Parish.

Our Parish is spread over a wide area and we do not think it is practical to incorporate any neighbouring areas which fall within other parishes into our Neighbourhood Plan Area. Although some residents are closer to facilities in Colchester than Ardleigh (eg around Plains Farm Close or Crockleford Heath) the Parish Council actively engages with these residents on planning matters and would wish to include them in the neighbourhood area to protect and enhance their settings and help to ensure that any further development is appropriate.

We look forward to hearing from you to confirm that the Parish of Ardleigh has been designated as a Neighbourhood Area together with any additional guidance or information which you may wish to provide,

Yours sincerely

