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Broxtowe Borough Council
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FAO Mr Tom Genway

Dear Tom

BRAMCOTE NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA- APPLICATION BY BRAMCOTE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM FOR RENEWAL OF RECOGNITION AS A QUALIFYING BODY

In August 2016 Broxtowe Borough Council designated a Neighbourhood Area in Bramcote and designated Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum as the relevant body to plan for the Neighbourhood Area¹. The Area covers Bramcote Ward and remains valid. The Forum's designation expired in 2021 and I am writing on behalf of the Forum for the Council to formally designate the Forum as the relevant body to plan for the Neighbourhood Area for another five years.

The Forum submitted a draft Neighbourhood Plan and supporting information to the Council in December 2020 (having previously submitted it earlier that year to a former member of staff of the Council).

We would prefer our application for redesignation be considered alongside the consultation of our submitted Neighbourhood Plan unless there are valid reasons why that is not legally possible.

During 2021, Bramcote residents met in August and October to confirm their wish for Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum to continue and in October to formally decide to seek redesignation of the Forum by the council.

To that effect, Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum confirms that:

- (a) it is established [as stated in its constitution] for the express purpose of promoting or Improving the social, economic and environmental well-being of an area that consists of or includes the neighbourhood area concerned (it is not established for the purpose of promoting the carrying on of trades, professions or other businesses in such an area),
- (b) its membership is open to-
 - (i) individuals who live in the neighbourhood area concerned,
 - (ii) Individuals who work there (whether for businesses carried on there or otherwise), and
 - (iii) individuals who are elected members of Nottinghamshire county council or Broxtowe Borough Council any of whose area falls within the neighbourhood area concerned,
- (c) Its membership includes a minimum of 21 individuals [as of October 2021 there were 347 individual members] each of whom--
 - (i) lives in the Neighbourhood Area concerned, or
 - (ii) works there (whether for a business carried on there or otherwise}, or

¹ <https://www.broxtowe.gov.uk/for-you/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/bramcote-neighbourhood-plan/>

(iii) is an elected member of Nottinghamshire County Council or Broxtowe Borough Council any of whose area falls within the neighbourhood area concerned,

(d) it has a written constitution [approved at the Inaugural AGM on 3 May 2016, and amended to include a dissolution clause in 2020], and

(e) such other conditions as may be prescribed [we are not aware of any such prescribed conditions].

If you need any further information to help you consider our application please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Nathanail

Chair, Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum

Enclosures

1. Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum constitution (2020 amended)
2. Minutes of Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum meetings held in August and October 2021