

Report of the Chief Executive

THE CHETWYND: THE TOTON AND CHILWELL NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM RE-DESIGNATION1. Purpose of report

To seek the resolution of the Council to 're-designate' the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum for a further five-year period.

2. Background

The Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum was originally designated by Broxtowe Borough Council on 9 March 2017. Neighbourhood Forum designations last for a period of five years. Neighbourhood Area designations do not expire.

The Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum has been working on producing a Neighbourhood Plan for the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Area. As the current five-year period is due to end in March 2022, the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum has applied for the re-designation of the Neighbourhood Forum for a further five-year period.

Further details are included at the appendix.

3. Financial considerations

Were the Council to make a decision to re-designate the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum, the Council would be able to apply for £5,000 grant funding from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC).

Recommendation

Council is asked to RESOLVE that:

- 1. The Council re-designates the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum for a further five-year period.**
- 2. Authority be given to the Chief Executive to publicise the designation of the Neighbourhood Forum in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).**

Background papers

Nil.

APPENDIX

Detail

The Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum has applied to Broxtowe Borough Council to re-designate the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum for a further five-year period.

The Forum's application was accompanied by the supporting documents required by legislation, as set out within the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), and which include:

- The name of the Neighbourhood Forum;
- A copy of the Constitution of the Neighbourhood Forum;
- The Decision Notice designating the Neighbourhood Area to which the application relates, including a map to identify the area;
- The contact details of at least one member of the Neighbourhood Forum to be made public;
- A statement which explains how the Neighbourhood Forum meets the conditions contained in section 61F(5) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The Neighbourhood Forum's application to re-designate the Forum can be viewed on Broxtowe Borough Council's website at the following link:

<https://www.broxtowe.gov.uk/media/9209/forum-application-for-re-designation-oct-2021.pdf>

In order to comply with Regulation 9 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), Broxtowe Borough Council invited comments on the application to re-designate the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum for the period between Monday 13 December 2021 and Friday 28th January 2022.

The Council has received eight representations from members of the public. Seven of these are supportive or very supportive of the application to re-designate the Neighbourhood Forum and one is strongly opposed (this response is quite detailed and sets out a number of reasons). One respondent suggested that the name of the Forum should be simplified, but it is considered that this would not be appropriate at this stage in the process.

In addition, responses were received from Erewash Borough Council, the Coal Authority and Natural England, confirming that these organisations had no comments on the application and from the Beeston and District Civic Society supporting the re-designation of the Neighbourhood Forum.

Further information including redacted versions of the representations can be viewed on Broxtowe Borough Council's website at the following link:

<https://www.broxtowe.gov.uk/for-you/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/chetwynd-the-toton-and-chilwell-neighbourhood-plan/>

Under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), the Council is required to make a decision as to whether or not to designate the Neighbourhood Forum within the period of 13 weeks beginning with the day immediately following that on which the application was first publicised (i.e. 13 weeks from 13 December 2021).