



# North Weald Bassett

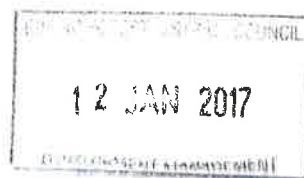
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Dear Alison

### Neighbourhood Planning Area Designation AMENDMENT - North Weald Bassett

I am writing to you further to recent legislative changes that allow the amendment of an already designated Neighbourhood Area.

On 1st July 2015, Epping Forest District Council agreed an *altered* Designated Neighbourhood Area to that originally proposed by North Weald Bassett Parish Council (the original request being the entire Parish of North Weald Bassett). The amended designation made by EFDC excluded an area of Hastingwood that falls within the Parish Boundary of North Weald Bassett.

On 1st October 2016, the Neighbourhood Planning (General and Development Management Procedure (Amendment) Regulations 2016 came into force, which include a number of amendments to the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations. In accordance with these amendments, please accept this letter as a request to alter the boundary of the Designated Neighbourhood Area known as 'North Weald Bassett' (copy attached Appendix 1) to include the entire Parish of North Weald Bassett (Appendix 2).

Para 139 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 orders changes to Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act which requires the Local Planning Authority to designate an entire Parish Area as a Designated Area where that area is applied for, which includes modifications to designations already made. This is further supported by the Neighbourhood Planning (General) and Development Management Procedure (Amendment) Regulations 2016 which orders changes to the 2012 Regulations to include the following:

#### **“Designation of the whole of the area of a parish council**

**5A.—(1)** This regulation applies where—

- (a) a local planning authority receive an area application from a parish council;
- (b) the area specified in the application consists of the whole of the parish council’s area; and
- (c) if any part of the specified area is part of a neighbourhood area, none of that neighbourhood area extends outside the parish council’s area.

(2) The local planning authority must exercise their powers under section 61G of the 1990 Act to designate the specified area as a neighbourhood area.

(3) Where this regulation applies, regulations 6 and 6A do not apply.”

In accordance with regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning General (Regulations) 2012, I hereby confirm that this application is being made by North Weald Bassett Parish Council, the 'Relevant Body' (for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Act), and attach a map which identifies the area to which this application relates (Appendix 2).

In addition, the statements below explain why this area is considered appropriate to be designated

1. *The area defined is covered by North Weald Bassett Parish Council in its entirety.*
2. *The proposed area includes three different wards - Hastingwood, North Weald Village and Thornwood. The current designated area excludes part of the Hastingwood Ward, effectively splitting this ward in two, creating a Parish anomaly.*
3. *The area is recognised by the local community, EFDC, ECC and the Boundary Commission as being the Parish of North Weald Bassett*
4. *A Local Planning Authority should aim to designate an area applied for, providing the application is valid and some or all of the area has not yet been designated (Planning Practice Guidance, Neighbourhood Planning)*
5. *A neighbourhood Area can include land allocated in a Local Plan as a strategic site (Planning Practice Guidance, Neighbourhood Planning)*
6. *There are no 'current' plans to alter either the District or Parish boundaries around North Weald Bassett*

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

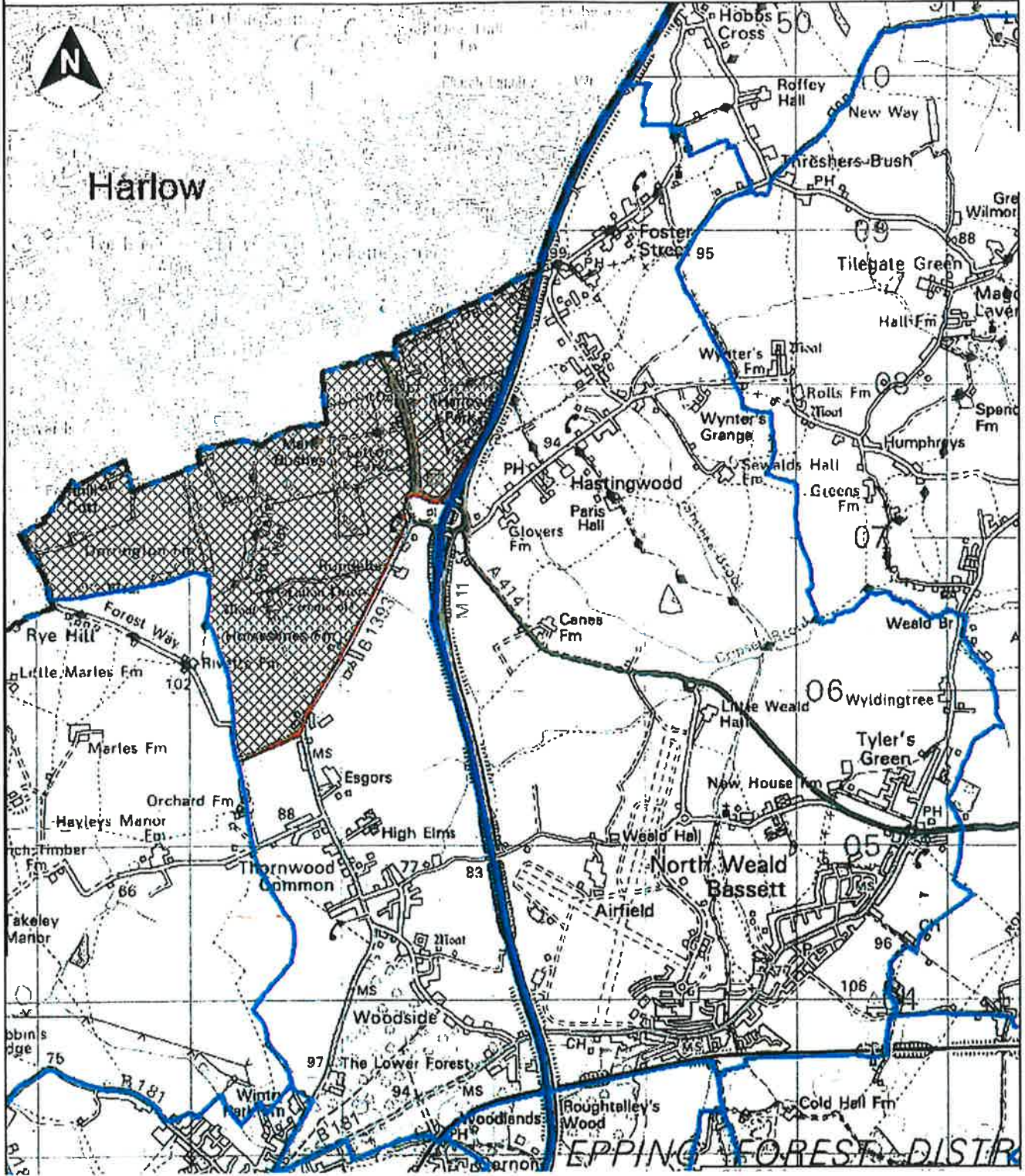


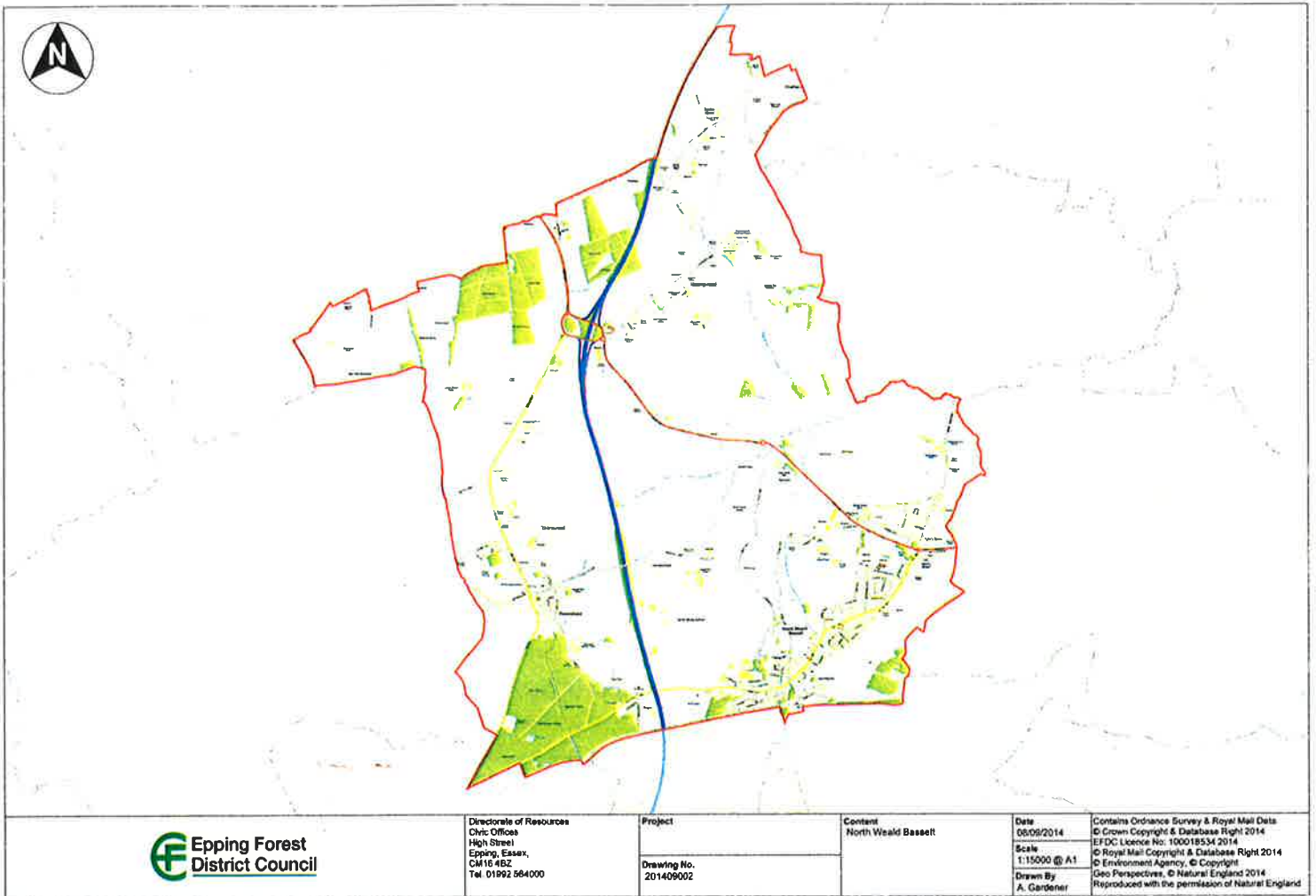
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Appendix 1





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