

# DOVER TOWN COUNCIL

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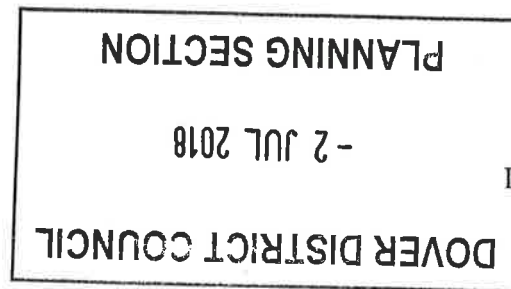
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Dover District Council, Council Offices,  
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DOVER  
Kent



DTC 1.6.2/11293  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Mr Fox

**Re: Dover Town Council Neighbourhood Development Plan/Neighbourhood Area Designation Application.**

FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 61G OF "THE TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990".

Dover Town Council as the "relevant body" formally submits an application to Dover District Council as the Local Planning Authority for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area pursuant to the preparation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**An application is hereby submitted under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. As follows:**

- a) A map which identifies the area of which the application relates (copy attached)
- b) A statement explaining why the area is considered appropriate to be designated as Neighbourhood Area

**Statement**

"Dover Town Council intends to avail itself of the opportunities provided by the Localism Act 2011 & discussed with Mr Fox at an initial meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017. A major element is the power to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan. The area is the Town of Dover (6 wards) for which the Town Council is the Qualifying Body given statutory powers to prepare a Plan. The Dover Town area is a cohesive and well-established community unit including houses, businesses, community facilities and public realm. The designation of the Town as a unit will ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan contributes to vibrant, attractive and well-designed future development in the Town which is in the public best interest balancing economic, environmental and social benefits. A Neighbourhood Plan for Dover will meet government objectives for planning to take place at the local level involving local people who best know what local needs are and how they can be met. The preparation of the Plan will mean that the Dover Town Community can come together to shape the future of our town. It is envisaged that the Neighbourhood Plan for Dover will be prepared alongside and have appropriate regard to the revision of the Local Plan currently being undertaken by Dover District Council and other applicable national and local policies".



- c) A statement that the organisation or body making the area application is a relevant body for the purpose of 61G of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Statement

For the reasons above, the proposed neighbourhood area as shown on the attached map is considered appropriate and justified. Under section 61G of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, Dover Town Council is considered to be the "relevant body" for the purposes of this application. Dover Town Council therefore respectfully requests that Dover District Council processes this application in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Yours faithfully

