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Dear Heslington Parish Council,

This letter is to inform you that your application for a Neighbourhood Area has been approved.

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) and Development Management Procedure (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (*SI 2016/873*), which came into force on 1 October 2016, prescribe circumstances in which a local planning authority must designate all of the area specified in a neighbourhood area application.

The relevant extract from the 2016 Regulations states:

***Amendment of the 2012 Regulations***

**2.—** (1) *The 2012 Regulations are amended as follows.*

(2) *After regulation 5 insert—*

***“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”.*

The application submitted by Heslington Parish Council meets the criteria set out above and therefore City of York Council has designated the specified area as a Neighbourhood Area.

City of York Council will publicise this designation in line with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (extract below).

***Publicising a designation of a neighbourhood area etc***

*7.—(1) As soon as possible after designating a neighbourhood area, a local planning authority must publish the following on their website and in such other manner as they consider is likely to bring the designation to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area.*

The next stage for the steering group is to establish the issues that could be addressed in the Neighbourhood Plan and to produce a set of options that will be consulted on by the Parish to determine what will be included in the Heslington Neighbourhood Plan.

A copy of the approved boundary is displayed with this letter but it is also available to view at [www.york.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning](http://www.york.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning)

If you have any further enquiries on this process please email [neighbourhoodplanning@york.gov.uk](mailto:neighbourhoodplanning@york.gov.uk) or telephone 01904 552255.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M.P. Grainger". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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