

Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area

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Please note that the information provided on this application form will be published on the North Kesteven District Council website for a period of four weeks (minimum).

1. Intention of Neighbourhood Area
Please indicate which one of the following you intend to undertake within your Neighbourhood Area.
Neighbourhood Development Plan: (double click on box and select checked)
Neighbourhood Development Order:
Community Right to Build Order:
2. Name of Neighbourhood Area
Please give a name which your Neighbourhood Area will be formally known as: Leasingham & Roxholm Parish
3. Extent of the area
Please indicate below and attach a map identifying the extent of the area to which the area application relates (North Kesteven District Council will prepare this map at your request).
Whole parish boundary area: ⊠
Joint with neighbouring parish:
(Please complete details in section 4 below if applying as joint parishes
4. Additional joint parish details:
If you are applying with an adjoining parish or parishes please give the clerk's details for each parish. N/A
5. Statement of intent:
Please explain below why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area.

The Government's commitment to localism highlights the importance of local level engagement in plan making. In the new Localism Act 2011, communities are encouraged to develop plans that set out areas for development, protect important areas, identify the facilities and infrastructure that the neighbourhood needs and influence planning policies for the area.

Leasingham & Roxholm Parish Council (LRPC) being a qualified body hereby requests authority that Leasingham & Roxholm Parish be designated a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the above regulations.

Leasingham is situated two miles north of Sleaford but it is completely separated from Sleaford by a green wedge and its very different distinct character and rural nature.

Leasingham wishes to remain separate to Sleaford and not subsumed into the town of Sleaford, and unless further housing and other development is addressed in a rational, logical and sustainable way through a Neighbourhood Plan the village is at risk of becoming little more than a "dormitory" for Sleaford. This will have a consequent effect on the rural life, which the village values so highly.

LEASINGHAM & ROXHOLM PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A Neighbourhood Plan for Leasingham & Roxholm will give residents the opportunity to shape the future of the Parish and the following statements have been prepared to be considered in the Neighbourhood Plan process. The Neighbourhood Plan is based around an extract from The Localism Act (2011) which states:

- "Communities have rights and should have the power to influence the size, style and density of new developments, protecting green spaces, protecting gaps between towns and villages and defining what makes up our local heritage and securing it for the future."
- -To maintain and enhance the character and vitality of Leasingham & Roxholm and create a vibrant, attractive and sustainable community
- To ensure that the green wedges around Leasingham, which prevent ribbon development and the village merging with other villages or Sleaford remain intact
- -To ensure new development is appropriate and proportionate and does not have a detrimental effect on the attractive quality of the surrounding countryside, landscape, ecosystems and historic environment
- To identify areas where improvement should be made. This includes ensuring that the infrastructure, such as roads, drainage and the sewerage system are adequate to support any further development within the parish
- -To ensure services and facilities are suitable for the needs of current and future residents
- -To encourage the use of alternative modes of transport for journeys within and out of the parish such as cycle ways or the use of footpaths
- -To provide residents, existing and future, with the opportunity to live and work in a home and community appropriate to their needs
- -To develop diverse leisure and recreation activities in order to promote healthy lifestyles
- -To promote the history of our village and identify areas/places that should be protected, preserved or enhanced
- -To provide guidance/ policy for:
- Streetscape design and management, landscaping
- Detailed design of development in the area.

6. Relevant body:			
Please confirm that you are the relevant body to undertake neighbourhood planning in your area in accordance with section 61G of the 1990 Act and section 5C of the 2012 Regulations Yes: No: No: Name of Parish Council(s) or Neighbourhood Forum: Leasingham & Roxholm Parish Council			
7. Lead contact (or Parish Clerk) details:			
Name: Alan Ford (Acting on behalf of the Parish Council)			
Address: 20 Heath Lane, Leasingham, Sleaford			
Postcode: NG34 8JF			
Tel no: 01529 413134			
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8. Declaration:			
I/we hereby apply to designate a Neighbourhood Area as described on this form and the accompanying map. In case of joint parish applications, name from each parish is required.			
Names: Alan Ford, Parish Councillor	Date:	13th February 2017	
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Jonathan Franks, Parish Council Chairman		JAM	
9. The completed form and map should be emailed to:			
community_initiatives@n-kesteven.gov.uk			
Or posted to:Community Initiatives Team, North Kesteven District Council, Kesteven Street, Sleaford, Lincolnshire NG34 7EF			

