Ms Celia Dring  
Principal Planning Policy Officer  
Development & Environment  
North Somerset Council  
Town Hall  
Weston-super-Mare  
BS231UJ  

15th September 2017  

Dear Ms Dring,  

Bleadon Neighbourhood Plan  
Application for the Designation of a Neighbourhood Area  

At the meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held on the 11th September 2017, the Council resolved to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the parish of Bleadon. The Council request that North Somerset Council now designates the Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 the following information is provided:

5(1) (a) A map is attached which identifies the area to which the application relates. The area concerned is the full extent of the parish of Bleadon, North Somerset.

5(1) (b) The parish of Bleadon is considered appropriate for designation as a Neighbourhood Area because:

i) The whole area is administered by Bleadon Parish Council.

ii) The area proposed for designation is the historical parish of Bleadon. The character of the parish is influenced by the Mendip Hills AONB which covers the northern part of the parish and the Bleadon levels to the South. The main village settlement is a relatively compact cluster of properties defined by the settlement boundary. The Neighbourhood Plan will address issues which concern the village itself and the wider rural area, recognising Bleadon’s well established identity and sense of community spirit, taking into account residential, business and countryside interests.
iii) The Neighbourhood Plan will make reference to the Bleadon Parish Plan which was completed in 2009.

5 (1) (c) Bleadon Parish Council is the relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Please let us know if you require any further information.

Yours faithfully

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Maria Bird
Parish Clerk