HIGH LANE VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA APPLICATION


Statement that the applicant fulfils the conditions of being a ‘relevant body’

Regulation 5. (1) (c)
The application for the High Lane Village Neighbourhood Area is being made by the proposed High Lane Village Neighbourhood Forum, which fulfils the conditions of being a ‘relevant body’ for the following reasons:

a) Our constitution clearly defines our overall objectives, of seeking establishment for the express purpose of improving the Area as outlined, known as High Lane, for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Area, by promoting and improving the social, economic and all aspects of the environmental well-being of the Area. In addition we will be protecting and enhancing the Area’s architectural heritage, its physical and environmental character, the natural environment including all community resources, open spaces, local businesses and the use of land for public purposes.

We would further add that the High lane Neighbourhood Forum Constitution, which is submitted with this application, further defines and numerates specific objects relating to the overall purpose and principles of the Forum. The High Lane Village Neighbourhood Forum has the support of the High lane Residents association and share several members with this important community group.

Section 61F (authorisation to act in relation to Neighbourhood Areas) enables a local planning authority to designate an organisation or body as a neighbourhood forum if the following conditions are satisfied:

1. That is established for the express purpose of promoting or improving the the social, economic and environmental well-being of an area that consists of or includes the neighbourhood area concerned (whether or not it is also established for the express purpose of promoting the carrying on of trades professions or other businesses in such an area); and
2. That its membership is open to:
   (i) individuals who live in the neighbourhood concerned;
   (ii) individuals who work there (whether for business carried on there or otherwise), and;
   (iii) individuals who are elected members of a county council, district council or London borough council any of whose area falls within the neighbourhood area concerned
3. That its membership includes a minimum of 21 individuals each of whom;
   (i) lives in the neighbourhood concerned
   (ii) works there (whether for business carried on there or otherwise), or
   (iii) is an elected member of a county council, district council or London borough council, any of whose area falls within the neighbourhood area concerned
4. It has a written constitution; and
5. such other conditions as may be prescribed

The proposed Neighbourhood Forum may currently be contacted through the Chair of the High lane Neighbourhood Forum, Richard Jones at the email address: jones@richardelaine.plus.com