



Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council

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Place-shaping and Economic Growth
Harrogate Borough Council
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Neighbourhood Plan for Staveley & Copgrove Parish

I am writing to you, on behalf of Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council, to give notice that we wish to make an application under Part 2 (5) (1) of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area for the Staveley and Copgrove Neighbourhood Plan.

This application is accompanied by a map identifying the area to which the application relates, being the entire area of Staveley and Copgrove parishes.

The accompanying statement outlines our reasons for making this application and our approach to identifying the plan area.

Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council is the relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act being the parish council for the entire area applied for.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Horton'.

Cllr Neil Horton
Chair, Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Staveley & Copgrove Parish Council

Statement in Support of Neighbourhood Plan Designation

Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council (SCPC) is suitable as a qualifying body for producing a Neighbourhood Plan, as per section 61G S2a of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act as amended by the Localism Act 2012, and the Parish Council consider that it is the appropriate body to create this plan.

At a public meeting called by the SCPC in August 2017 to discuss housing development proposals for Staveley, the majority of those attending expressed a desire for a long term development plan for the village. The SCPC investigated the plan options and concluded that a Neighbourhood Plan might be the most appropriate. In October 2018, following the publicising of information about the Neighbourhood Planning process through the Parish Council newsletter and website, a further public meeting was held to assess support for the plan. At the conclusion of the meeting all those present fully supported the concept of a Neighbourhood Plan being developed.

The area being proposed is the whole SCPC Area, which includes the two civil parishes of Staveley and Copgrove.

The neighbouring parishes of Arkendale, Brearton, Burton Leonard, Farnham, Ferrensby, Roecliffe and Westwick and Walkingham Hill with Occaney have been consulted on the Staveley and Copgrove intention to develop a plan. The decision has been taken to prepare a plan to cover only the SCPC area however, as neither settlements within the proposed area are key service providers for the neighbouring parishes or are dependent upon them for such services. The two settlements of Copgrove and Staveley share some community facilities as well as a Parish Council so it is considered appropriate that a plan should include both. The outer boundary of the Copgrove and Staveley Parishes is also an existing administrative boundary and forms a logical area for which statistical data has already been collected at local and national level.

The SCPC has established a Steering Group to develop the plan which consists of two Parish Councillors and six members from the Staveley and Copgrove community. The Steering Group will report to the Parish Council according to the Terms of Reference specified by the SCPC. The task of the Steering Group is to maintain a continuing engagement with the community, the Local Planning Authority and other statutory bodies and local organisations to identify the key plan themes and to develop appropriate policies to meet the aspirations of the community whilst remaining within the framework of national guidelines and Local Plan policies.