

Wiltshire Council Neighbourhood Area Application Form



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Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area
Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

Publication of applications on the Wiltshire Council website

Please note that the information provided on this application form may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please email neighbourhood.planning@wiltshire.gov.uk

Please complete using block capitals and black ink

1. Parish Clerk details

Title, First name

Last name

Unit, House number, House suffix

House name

Address 1

Address 2

Address 3

Town

County

Postcode

Email

2. Additional contact details (if different from parish clerk)

Title, First name

Last name

Unit, House number, House suffix

House name

Address 1

Address 2

Address 3

Town

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Email

Position in relation to the Neighbourhood Area application

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3. 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: ☐

Name of relevant body:

Note: In areas covered by a town or parish council the town or parish council is the relevant body. For applications covering more than one town or parish council area a lead or 'named' body should be nominated for the purposes of administering the neighbourhood area application. Please provide details of the lead or 'named' parish above, and also provide further details of the other parishes covered in section 4 below.

4. Applications covering more than one parish area:

Does your application cover more than one parish area?

Yes: ☐

No: ☐

If yes, please list all the parish areas covered by the area application:

Note: An application which covers more than one parish area will only be validated where each parish concerned has given their consent to be included in the application. Please provide evidence of this consent by including signed consent forms with your application (consent forms are available online at: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning).

5. Name of Neighbourhood Area

Please give a name by which your neighbourhood area will be formally known.

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6. Extent of area

Please attach an OS plan showing the extent of the proposed neighbourhood area and indicate below the relationship of the proposed area to parish boundaries.

Proposed area covers the whole of a single parish boundary area: ☐

Proposed area covers part of a single parish boundary area: ☐

Proposed area covers multiple parish boundary areas: ☐

Where the proposed area covers multiple parish boundary areas, please specify below as to whether each of the parishes is included in whole or in part within the proposed area:

7. Reasons for considering the area appropriate

Please describe below why you consider this area is appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area and indicate whether you are intending to prepare a neighbourhood development plan and/or a neighbourhood development order (continue on separate sheet if necessary).

8. Declaration

I hereby apply to designate a neighbourhood area as described on this form and the accompanying plan.

Signed:

Name:

Position:

Date:

Note: In the case of applications covering more than one parish area signed consent forms are required from each parish concerned.

Please note that if your application is validated we will need the assistance of the relevant town and/or parish councils to appropriately publicise the application, including by displaying notices on town/parish council notice boards.

Seend Neighbourhood Plan – Area Designation

Question 7

The 'Department for Communities and Local Government', the 'Neighbourhood Planning Worksheet 2', and 'Determining the Neighbourhood Area' all advise the presumption that the parish administrative area will be the 'Designated Area'. The Parish contains three distinct settlements, Seend, Seend Cleeve and Sells Green. These three settlements identify themselves as Seend Parish, and despite their separate and distinct characteristics they represent different parts of a whole. The Neighbourhood Plan is an ideal process to include opinions of all within the parish in relation to the future challenges of development.

Seend Parish Council agreed that a Steering Committee should be formed to investigate local opinion as to whether the community wished to take the opportunity presented by the Localism Act, to create a Parish or a Neighbourhood Plan. After an open consultation in June 2015 it was decided that a Neighbourhood Plan was the preferred option due to the statutory status it offers.

The Steering Group entrusted to undertake this work consists of four Parish Councillors and six other members of the community. The Group has been in existence one year and has a committed core of members. We have also established two sub-groups; one to look at the significant traffic issues and another to do a report on the state of footpaths within the parish: other sub-groups will be formed as the work progresses.

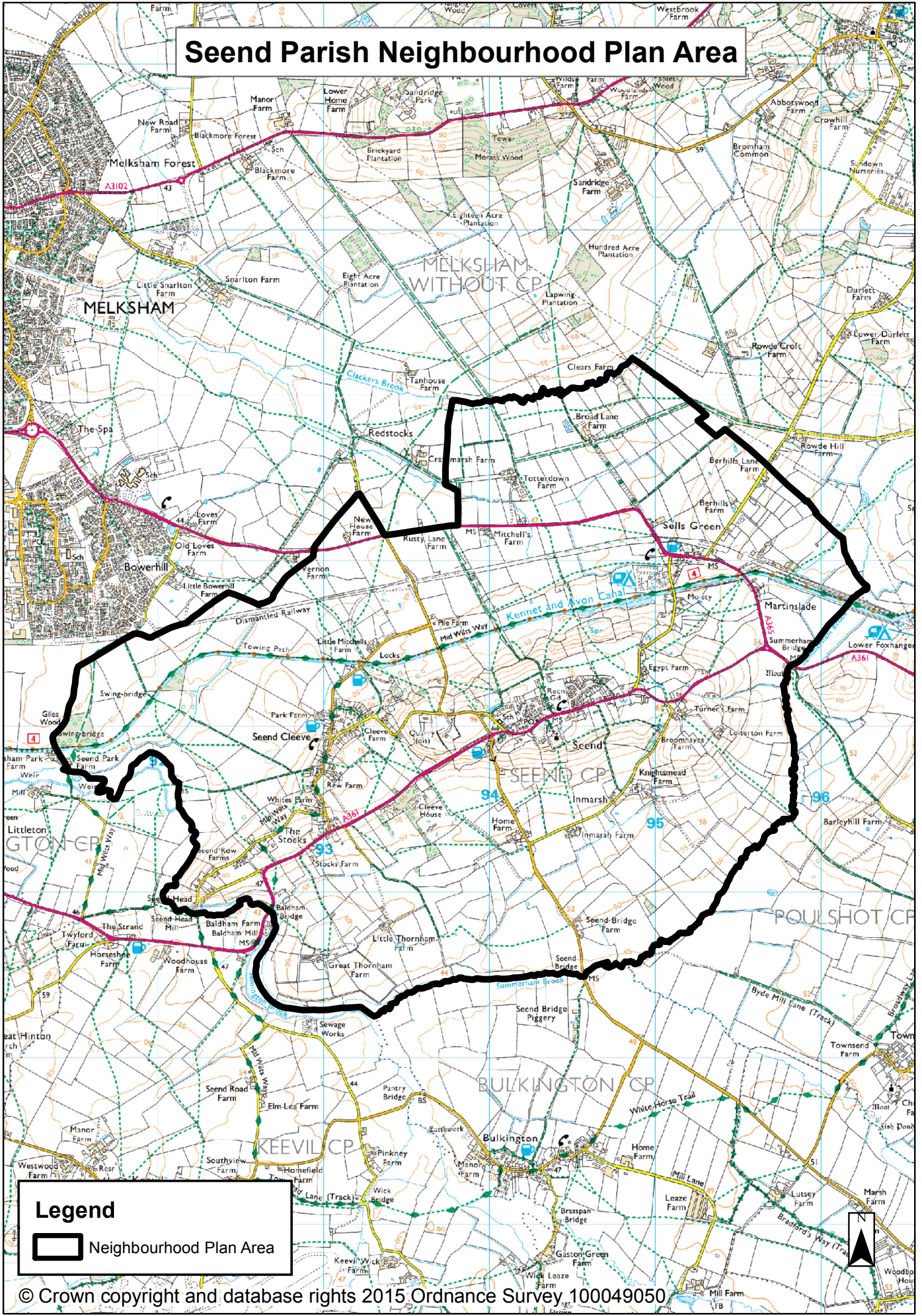
Contained within this parish are a number of farms and other businesses, a village shop and PO, two churches (C of E and Methodist), two village halls in current use, and one used for storage, and a school. The facilities are mainly clustered together in Seend, and the large Community Centre acts as a focus for much of the village's social life, with a significant number of special interest groups. These groups are all being invited to contribute ideas about how they see the Parish developing over the next 20-30 years, as are individual households through the survey we intend to conduct covering aspects of village life. There is a population of approximately 1,000 individuals living in homes that span several centuries.

Seend is designated as a 'Large Village' in the Wiltshire Core Strategy, and as such there is an onus on the Parish to identify sites for housing development. A constructive approach to this must be adopted, so that we develop sustainable and sympathetic plans that will not damage the delightful, rural character of this Parish. We feel that by having a development plan we will have more input in the choice of siting and style of future housing development, and any other changes that are identified as requirements.


Special features of the Parish include the ridge-top position of the Conservation Area bounded by footpaths to the north and south with wonderful views; and the canal offering interest and various recreational facilities. The local school has recently won an award for 'excellence'.

Designating the Parish as the Neighbourhood Development Plan Area will enable us to create an inclusive plan from which we hope all parishioners and Wiltshire Council will benefit, and ensure the continuation of this vibrant community.

Seend Parish Neighbourhood Plan Area



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 Neighbourhood Plan Area