

Neighbourhood Plan Area Designation Application

Submitted to: City of York Council

Submitted by: Heworth Without Parish Council

Date: 18th December 2025

1. Name of Proposed Neighbourhood Area

Heworth Without Parish Council Neighbourhood Area (Not Ward)

2. Statement from the Relevant Body

Heworth Without Parish Council is the relevant body making this application in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The Parish Council confirms that it is a qualifying body and wishes to apply for designation of the entire parish area as the Heworth Without Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan.

3. Description of the Proposed Area

The proposed Neighbourhood Area covers the whole of the Heworth Without Parish boundary. The parish lies to the northeast of the City of York, bounded by open countryside to the east and residential areas within the York urban edge to the west. It encompasses residential neighbourhoods, Farm land and Rural businesses, green spaces, community facilities, and valued environmental assets such as the Stray Road Play Area, Playing fields with Wildlife area and Jubilee Woods and Allotments.

The area is considered appropriate for designation as a single Neighbourhood Area because it reflects the existing administrative and community boundary of Heworth Without Parish and contains a cohesive community with shared interests and identity.

4. Statement Explaining Why the Area is Appropriate

The Parish Council considers that the Heworth Without Parish boundary is the most suitable boundary for the Neighbourhood Area because it reflects the established governance area of Heworth Without Parish Council and represents a well-defined, recognised local community. The parish has its own Parish Council, which serves as the qualifying body under the Localism Act 2011, and there are no overlapping or conflicting administrative boundaries with neighbouring parishes.

The designation of the full parish area will ensure that planning policies developed through the Neighbourhood Development Plan apply consistently across all parts of the community, supporting the parish’s vision for sustainable growth, protection of green spaces, and community wellbeing to 2038.

5. Relevant Body Declaration

Heworth Without Parish Council hereby confirms that it is the relevant body capable of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the area, in accordance with Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

6. Contact Details

7. Supporting Information

This application is supported by a boundary map of Heworth Without Parish, which defines the proposed Neighbourhood Area. The Parish Council has engaged with residents, local groups, and City of York Council officers in preparing this application and intends to continue community engagement throughout the Neighbourhood Plan process.

The Parish Council looks forward to formal designation of the Heworth Without Neighbourhood Area.

Signed on behalf of Heworth Without Parish Council:

Cllr Melanie Starkey, Chair, Heworth Without Parish Council

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