

Seale & Sands Parish Council

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Dear Mr Taylor,

Application for Designation of the Civil Parish of Seale & Sands as a Neighbourhood Area

In accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 and The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Section 5, Seale & Sands Parish Council formally apply to Guildford Borough Council as the Planning Authority to designate the Civil Parish of Seale & Sands as a Neighbourhood Area, in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 ("The Regulations").

Map - Attached herewith is a map showing the Civil Parish of Seale & Sands, as required by The Regulations.

The Regulations also require the following two statements in support of this application:

Statement 1 - Why the Parish of Seale & Sands is appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area

The villages of Seale and The Sands are located in South West Surrey, 4 miles from the town of Farnham and 10 miles from Guildford. The Parish Council of Seale was originally set up in 1894 as one of the first parish councils in the country.

Seale and Sands is one of the 24 parishes within the Borough of Guildford and part of the Pilgrims Ward, along with Puttenham, Compton, Wanborough and Shackleford. It is in an area of outstanding beauty within the Green Belt. At the last census it had a population of 887

The Parish Council carried out a Residential questionnaire in 2011 and a Parish Plan was published in early 2012, revised in 2014. In co-operation with the Surrey Community Action a Housing and Community Needs Survey was completed in November 2014.

Statement 2 – Seale & Sands Parish Council is a relevant body for the purposes of Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

We would submit that Seale & Sands Parish is suitable for designation as a Neighbourhood Area under the Regulations. The Parish Council would welcome a decision on this application as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Bill Nelson – Chairman