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Dear Mrs Taylor

### **Application to designate the Houghton Neighbourhood Plan Area**

I am writing to confirm that the Council has approved the Houghton Parish Council's application dated 9<sup>th</sup> March for the Houghton Neighbourhood Plan Area comprising the administrative boundary of the parish.

This follows public consultation which took place from 24<sup>th</sup> March to 12<sup>th</sup> May. Those comments received were forwarded to you on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 the Council will publish its decision on its website.

You will note the representation made by Historic England regarding the proposed boundary be extended to include the whole of the Houghton Conversation Area, which goes beyond the parish boundary. The Council is not recommending that the neighbourhood area boundary be changed to reflect this comment. However, and if you have not already done so, there would be a benefit in exploring with Bossington parish whether they wished to form a joint neighbourhood plan in order to cover this point.

Yours sincerely

Andy Ferrier  
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