Burnham Parish Council's Application for a Neighbourhood Area

Decision Notice

Background

On the 15th March 2018 Burnham Parish Council submitted a Neighbourhood Area Application to declare the entire Parish area as a Neighbourhood Area.

The Burnham Parish's application was submitted under the new Regulation 5A inserted into the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations[1] by new regulations[2] which came into force on the 1st October 2016.

The effect of Regulation 5A is that if a parish council submits a Neighbourhood Area Application to include the whole of its parish area within the Neighbourhood Area the Local Planning Authority (South Bucks District Council in this case) has to use its powers under the Act[3] to designate the Neighbourhood Area.

In addition the regulations state that where a parish has submitted a Neighbourhood Area application to include the whole of its parish in the neighbourhood area that the Local Planning Authority is not required to consult or publicise the Neighbourhood Area Application. Therefore South Bucks District Council has not carried out any publicity of the Neighbourhood Area Application.

Formal Neighbourhood Area Application Decision

Under the Council's delegated authority (Cabinet, 13 October 2015) the Interim Head of Planning and Economic Development on 17th May 2018 determined in consultation with local ward members and the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Planning and Economic Development to declare that the whole of Burnham Parish Council has now been designated as a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with Regulation 5A of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 as amended.

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[1] The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012
[2] The Neighbourhood Planning (General) and Development Management Procedure (Amendment) Regulations 2016
[3] Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990