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Dear Rachael,

Application for the designation of Knaresborough as a Neighbourhood Area

In accordance with the terms of Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 we are writing to confirm that we wish to be formally registered as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing and producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Parish of Knaresborough. We are making the application as a relevant body for the purposes of Section 61G of the Town and County Planning Act 1990.

The application is to cover the whole of the civil Parish (Knaresborough Scriven Park Ward, Knaresborough East Ward and Knaresborough King James Ward) outlined in red on the plan attached to this letter. Also attached to this letter is a statement which explains why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area, as requested in your letter of 10th August 2012.

The decision to seek authority to produce such a Plan was formally resolved at the Town Council's meeting held on Monday 30th July 2012 following a recommendation made by the Town Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee.

We trust that this is sufficient to allow you to register the Parish of Knaresborough as set out above and I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this application.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries with regard to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

 \wp Nicola Smith Clerk to the Council

> Cc. Mr D Sykes Mr D Allenby

Statement for Knaresborough to be a Designated Neighbourhood Area

Knaresborough Town Council is very excited about the prospect of developing a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Knaresborough. There is strong support for the idea from various groups including Renaissance Knaresborough, Knaresborough Civic Society and Knaresborough Chamber of Trade, who have all been co-opted to serve on the Town Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee.

The Town Council actually began working on a Neighbourhood Development Plan in January 2012 and, in order to progress with our action plan, would like to have the Knaresborough Parish Boundary officially designated as a Neighbourhood Area. The NDP Committee believe that this Neighbourhood Area is essential for supporting economic growth in Knaresborough as well as protecting the natural environment of this historic market town.

The precise area is shown on the attached map and it is this area which is administered by Knaresborough Town Council. This area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area as it covers the built-up extent of Knaresborough and includes the three Wards of Knaresborough East, Knaresborough King James and Knaresborough Scriven Park.

We are aware of the need to work within the Core Strategy and are fully committed to work closely with HBC to develop and deliver the Plan. We were disappointed that KTC missed out on a grant through the front-runners scheme; however, should any further grants become available we would greatly appreciate HBC applying for funding on our behalf.