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Title	Neighbourhood Area Application - Osterley
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For Consideration By	Isleworth and Brentford Area Forum
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Affected Wards	Osterley and Spring Grove
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1. Details of Recommendations

The Area Forum is requested to comment on the suitability of the proposed Neighbourhood Area designation for Osterley in terms of its geographic extent.

2. Report Summary

This report is to inform the Forum of the ongoing consultation (from April 26th to Tuesday 7th June) on a Neighbourhood Area Application to designate the Osterley area as a neighbourhood area in accordance with the provisions set out in the Localism Act 2011.

3. Background

3.1 Introduction

The Localism Act 2011 provided for a new neighbourhood planning regime. The Act allows community groups (neighbourhood forums) to formulate Neighbourhood Plans that can guide and shape development in a particular area. A Neighbourhood Plan must have regard to national policies (the National Planning Policy Framework) and confirm to local strategic policies (including the Hounslow Local Plan (2015) and the London Plan (2016)). Government stresses that neighbourhood planning should not be a way to block necessary development.

3.2 Relationship with the Local Plan

Local plans are produced by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) and covers the entire local authority area. Hounslow has an up to date Local Plan that was adopted in 2015. Local Plan Reviews for the Great West Corridor and West of Borough Plan are already under way. Once a neighbourhood plan passes all of its stages and comes into force it has the same status as the local plan.

3.3 Neighbourhood Area

The Neighbourhood Area is the area to be covered by the Neighbourhood Plan that will be produced by a Neighbourhood Forum

3.4 Neighbourhood Forum

A designated neighbourhood forum is an organisation or group empowered to lead the neighbourhood planning process in a neighbourhood area where there is no town or parish council. In this case, a group of residents have set up "Osterley Neighbourhood Forum (ONF)". They have submitted to Hounslow Council an application showing the area to be covered by the Neighbourhood Plan and to be recognised formally as a Neighbourhood Forum.

3.5 Local Planning Authority's Obligations

Hounslow Council as the Local Planning Authority (LPA) has to make a decision on the Neighbour Area designation. Subsequently, following a similar consultation, it can then confirm that an appropriate qualifying body is making the application to prepare a neighbourhood plan for the designated Neighbourhood Area.

3.6 Timescales

After the proposed Osterley Neighbourhood Area application is published (26th April), the Council has 13 weeks to determine the application. The Neighbourhood Area application will be reported to Cabinet and then to the Borough Council 19th July meeting.

4. **Key Implications**

Once the Council designates the Neighbourhood Area, there will be a similar process of consultation and then designation of a Neighbourhood Forum who will then be able to produce a neighbourhood plan for the designated Neighbourhood Area.

5. **Financial Details**

N/A

6. **Legal**

The Consultation confirms with the:

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Part 2
Neighbourhood Area

Application for designation of a neighbourhood area 5.

Publishing an area application 6. Amended by

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) (Amendment) Regulations 2015

Prescribed date for determination of an area application

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7. Value For Money

N/A

8. Sustainability Impact Appraisal

N/A

9. Risk Management

N/A

10. Links to Council Priorities

N/A

11. Equalities, Human Rights and Community Cohesion

- 11.1 The Council as a public authority must in the exercise of its functions have due regard to its equalities duties namely to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and eliminate any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010, to advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a protected characteristic and persons who do not share it and to foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. The relevant protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation.

A relevance test has been carried out and having considered the nature of the decisions contained within the recommendations it is considered that there will be no adverse impacts in respect of anyone with one or more protected characteristics. As such, the Council considers that there is no need for an Equalities Impact Assessment to be carried out and that in making the decisions set out in the recommendations the Council will be acting in compliance with its duties.

12. Staffing/Workforce and Accommodation implications:

N/A

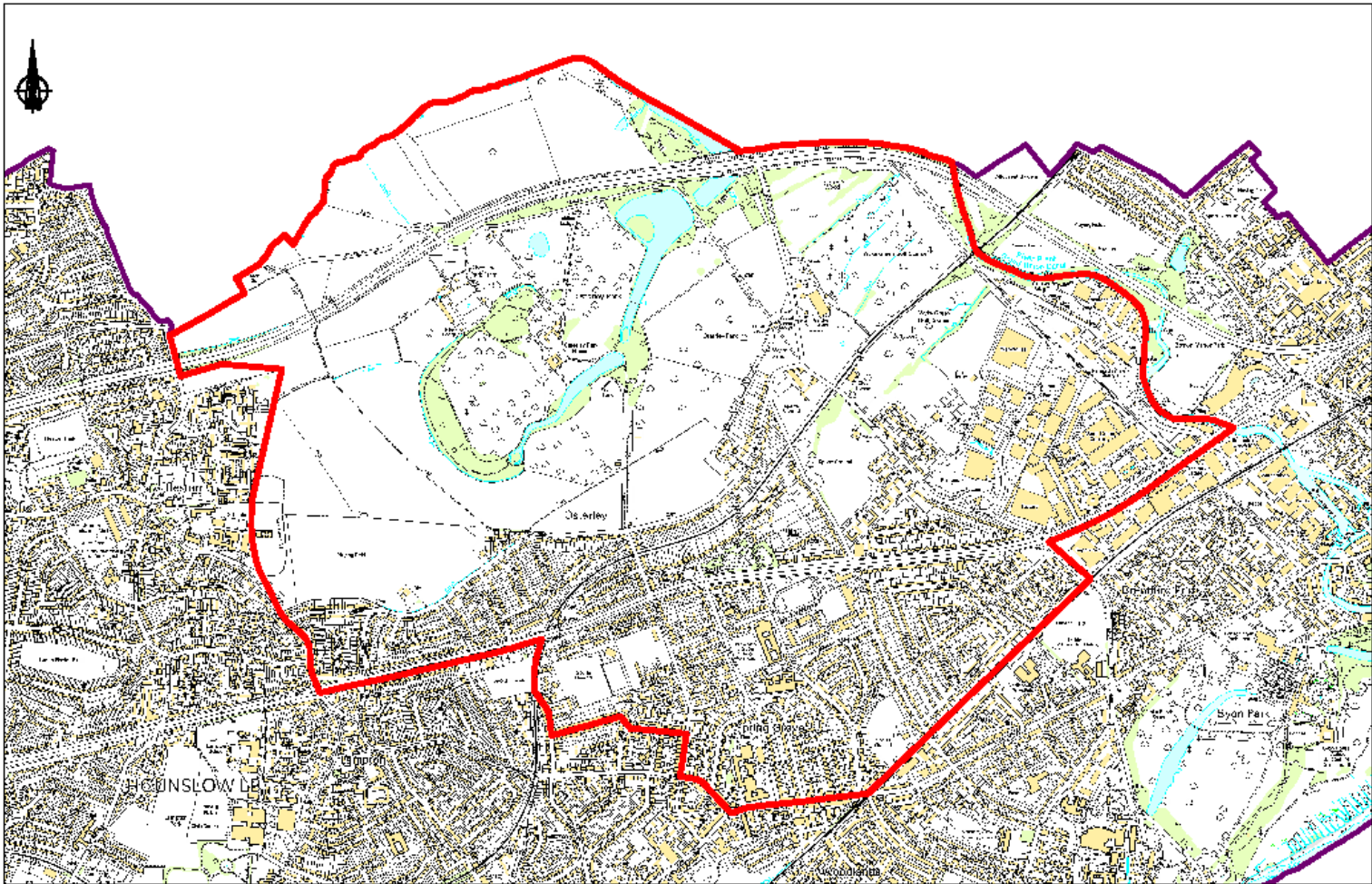
13. Property and Assets

N/A

14. Any Other Implications

N/A

15. Proposed Osterley Neighbourhood Area



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