

**HACKBRIDGE AND BEDDINGTON CORNER NEIGHBOURHOOD
DEVELOPMENT GROUP**

**(2) Application for Designation of
Neighbourhood Forum**

APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS A NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM PART 3 (8)

In accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Part 3 (8) this document represents the statement explaining why the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Development Group is considered a relevant body for purposes of designation as a Neighbourhood Forum.

(a) Name of Proposed Forum:

Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Development Group (NDG)

(b) Copy of Written Constitution:

See Annex 1

(c) Name of the Neighbourhood Area to which this application relates:

Hackbridge and Beddington Corner (See Annex 2 for Map) - The boundary of the proposed neighbourhood area is largely as previously defined within the draft Hackbridge Masterplan (which was subject to wide public consultation in 2009), with some minor amendments. Please see the other application for the designation of the neighbourhood area for further details.

(d) Contact details of Chair and Vice-Chair:

In accordance with the requirements of the regulations the undernoted contact details are to be made public:

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(e) Statement which explains how the proposed neighbourhood forum meets conditions contained in section 61F(5) of the 1990 Act:

A group of local residents and businesses are submitting this application for designation of a neighbourhood forum, for which we will formulate and produce a 'neighbourhood plan'.

The Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG recognise and support the spatial vision for Hackbridge, as set out in the adopted Core Planning Strategy (2009), as a focus of sustainable regeneration and growth, bringing about the renewal of the fabric of the area through environmentally friendly innovative mixed-use redevelopment schemes, to create the UK's first sustainable suburb.

Hackbridge is currently the subject of imminent and extensive regeneration, including the redevelopment of a number of prominent sites within the area defined. This regeneration will have a significant impact on the existing residential and business community. Accordingly, local residents and businesses wish to be fully involved, by consulting, engaging and working with developers to ensure a positive impact in Hackbridge and Beddington Corner.

Additionally, the award of funding from the Mayor's Outer London Fund, enhancement of the River Wandle and preparations for the development of the Wandle Valley Regional Park are also factors that will significantly influence the lives of residents and opportunities for business growth within Hackbridge and Beddington Corner.

Hackbridge has been designated as being suitable to move to the status of a district centre and sustainable neighbourhood. This will require careful planning to ensure that all of the people who live and work in Hackbridge feel included in this major change, as new developments will result in a significant influx of residents and new businesses into Hackbridge, with approximately 1,500 new homes and associated rise in population.

Developments, whether residential, commercial, educational, leisure, or other, require to be designed and built in full consultation with local residents and having regard to the affect on the local economy.

The members of the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG are committed to producing a plan that meets the requirements of the 10 'One Planet Living' principles and, using the vehicle of a neighbourhood plan, aim to help Hackbridge become the first truly sustainable suburb, achieving the vision of the Core Planning Strategy. Through this process the residents and businesses aspire to:

- protect, enhance & improve access and use of open space for play, recreation & biodiversity;
- enhance connectivity between all the communities that comprise Hackbridge and Beddington Corner;
- support and grow the viability and identity of the local centre as it moves towards District Centre status, addressing the impact on the local residential population, business and potential visitors that will be attracted by the regeneration;
- develop a sustainable suburb;
- create a 'Low Carbon Zone' with zero carbon standards achieved for all new developments;
- promote sustainable transport and accessibility;
- improve health and well-being;
- further enhance the River Wandle and wetlands as a green corridor for wildlife and its enjoyment of people either living locally or visiting the area;
- address the causes and impacts of climate change and promote Hackbridge and Beddington Corner as an exemplar of 'One Planet Living';
- encourage 'built' energy efficiency and renewables, reducing waste, managing flood risk and protecting habitats and species diversity; and
- Identify, protect and restore buildings and structures of historic interest that demonstrate the heritage of Hackbridge and Beddington Corner.

Formulating a neighbourhood plan will provide clear guidance and direction to investors and developers, as to the way local people wish to see Hackbridge move forward and thrive in the future. It will form part of a long-term delivery plan, for implementation by a variety of partners.

The Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG has been meeting since June 2011 and consist of:

- local residents from all parts of the area;
- local businesses;
- Councillors;
- land owners;
- persons who work in the area; and
- Community and Interest Groups:
 - All Saints Church
 - Heads of Local Schools
 - Cycle Groups
 - Nature Conservation Groups

The current membership easily exceeds the minimum number of 21 individuals, including representatives from all above categories (Further membership details are set out in the 'Written Constitution, Annex 1). New members are actively encouraged at all times including information updates at the Local Committee and other local community meetings and events.

The Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG welcome the powers being passed to local residents and businesses under the provisions of the Localism Act 2012 and is capable of working with all relevant partners to help bring forward positive development in the neighbourhood. This has already been demonstrated by the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG in its work with developers who have recognised the importance of the neighbourhood planning process.

As such the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG have been working with those developers who are intending to bring forward sites for redevelopment, or are already in the process of redevelopment, in order to ensure the regeneration meets the aspirations of the community and impacts positively on Hackbridge and Beddington Corner. To date we have had constructive meetings with the developers and/or landowners of the Wandle Valley Trading Estate, the proposed Corbet Close regeneration (LB Sutton), the Felnex Trading Estate, Thames Water and Viridor. The experience gained through this work with developers and landowners will positively contribute towards the formulation of the neighbourhood plan.

Additionally the status of Hackbridge as a neighbourhood planning frontrunner has attracted offers of assistance and training from a number of external organisations including Locality, Design Council/CABE, Matrix Partnerships, Westminster College students, Glasshouse and Building Communities. The Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG have established good relationships with these organisations and have taken advantage of the training offered which has been a big benefit in preparing a neighbourhood plan.

Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG therefore consider that the above information demonstrates it is a relevant body for the purposes of Sections 61F(5) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, to apply for designation as a 'Neighbourhood Forum'.

ANNEX 1 – WRITTEN CONSTITUTION

HACKBRIDGE AND BEDDINGTON CORNER NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

- Purpose:** To shape the development of Hackbridge and Beddington Corner for the benefit of local people. Planning and improving the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Neighbourhood Area.
- Aim:** The group aims to lead the local community in shaping future developments and may receive statutory powers.
- Membership:** There should be a minimum membership of 21 members. Membership is open to all who live or work in Hackbridge and Beddington Corner (the Hackbridge Neighbourhood Area), Elected Members and Sutton Council
- Meetings:** Meetings will normally be held monthly. Seven members will constitute a quorum. Formal meetings will be publicised on a notice board at All Saints Centre and on hackbridge.net.
- Voting:** Discussions will aim at consensus. If a vote is taken, voting is restricted to members as defined above.
- Code of Conduct:** Everyone is to be treated with respect.
- Communication:** The Group will communicate with the local community through the web and printed materials, and through the Hackbridge Community Forum.
- Officers:** Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary will be appointed at a formal meeting of the Group, normally for a period of 12 months. The Group will appoint facilitators to lead particular sub-groups.

The following sub-groups were identified and will report through this Group:

- Housing and the Built Environment
- Utilities
- Transport
- Local Economy
- Environment
- Health and Happiness

MEMBERSHIP LIST & ATTENDEES

General

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Rev Andrew Roland | Angela Leahy | Helena Barrowclough |
| Lonny Prescott | Marianne Rasmussen | Roy E Bennett |
| Simon Courage | Sue Riddlestone | David Goymour |
| Tony Killaspy | Chris Parry | Julia Armstrong |
| Danielle Reid | Peter Lloyd | Pauline Lewis |
| Norman Jones | Pauline Lewis | Pat Hart |
| Ken Hersey | Peter Alfrey | Lysanne Horrox |
| Colin Quemby | George Dow | Conor Moloney |
| Bill Forsdick | Helen Heathfield | Laurie Prescott |
| Caroline Hall | Charlotte Gilhooly | Christine Bongo |
| Diane Bray | Esther Larbi | Francesca Bellucci |
| J Dow | Jim Duffy | Jo Simister |
| Karalina Matskevich | Meri Butler | Pooran Desai |
| Rebeka Russell | Renee Davis | Richard Griffiths |
| Robert Walker | Steve Hoare | Umayya Younis |
| Waleed Suliman | Warren Lewis | Yvonne Zimmerman |
| Ann Baker | | |

LB Sutton Officers

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| Sally Blomfield | Dean James (also resident) | Steve Pearce |
| Darren Richards | Rick Martinez | |

Ward Councillors

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|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Cllr John Drage | Cllr Margaret Court | Cllr Paddy Kane |
| Cllr Colin Stears | Cllr Sue Stears | Cllr Roger Thistle |
| Cllr Bruce Glithero | Cllr Sunita Gordon | Cllr Stanley Theed |
| Cllr Jayne McCoy | | |

Land Owners

Hugh Cave (Wandle Valley Trading Estate)
LB Sutton (Rick Martinez for Corbet Close Regeneration)
Thames Water Utilities Ltd

Developers

Savills (Neil Rowley for Felnex Trading Estate, Nia Griffith for Wandle Valley Trading Estate)
Charles Church (Wandle Valley Trading Estate)
Viridor (Proposed 'Energy Recovery Facility' in Beddington Farmlands)

Other Organisations

Matt Lally (Matrix Partnership)
Mide Beaumont (Communities and Local Government)
Elsbeth Wray (Design Council/CABE)
Rachael Rooney (Greater London Authority)

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

Chair

Responsible for the overview and facilitation of the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Development Group (enabling the successful production of a neighbourhood plan).

Plan and Chair a monthly meeting of the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner NDG.

Facilitate the work of the sub-groups, ensuring momentum is maintained. Attend meetings to provide clarification and continuity across sub-groups. Provide regular updates to all while the sub-groups are undertaking specific tasks.

Maintain routine dialogue with **all** stakeholders, identified as follows:

- London Borough of Sutton
 - Ward Councillors
 - Strategic Planning and Projects
 - Other relevant department representatives
- Department of Communities and Local Government
- BioRegional
- Local business community in Hackbridge
- Surgery
- Primary Schools
- Residents

Ensure membership of NDG continues to grow through regular community engagement, demonstrating that members are drawn from all areas of the neighbourhood.

Vice-Chair

To support and assist the functions and role of the Chair.

As Treasurer to the NDG, to identify streams of funding to progress the aims of the NDG.

Act as Point of Contact with developers to build relationships & promote the objectives of the NDG with:

Land Owners

- Thames Water Utilities Limited
- Wandle Valley Trading Estate
- London Borough of Sutton (Corbet Close & Land North of BedZed)
- Industrial/commercial land north of Hackbridge Station.

Developers

- Viridor - Energy Recovery Facility,
- Centrale Development.
- Hugh Cave / Charles Church (Wandle Valley Trading Estate)
- Savills (on behalf of Schrodgers for Felnex Site)

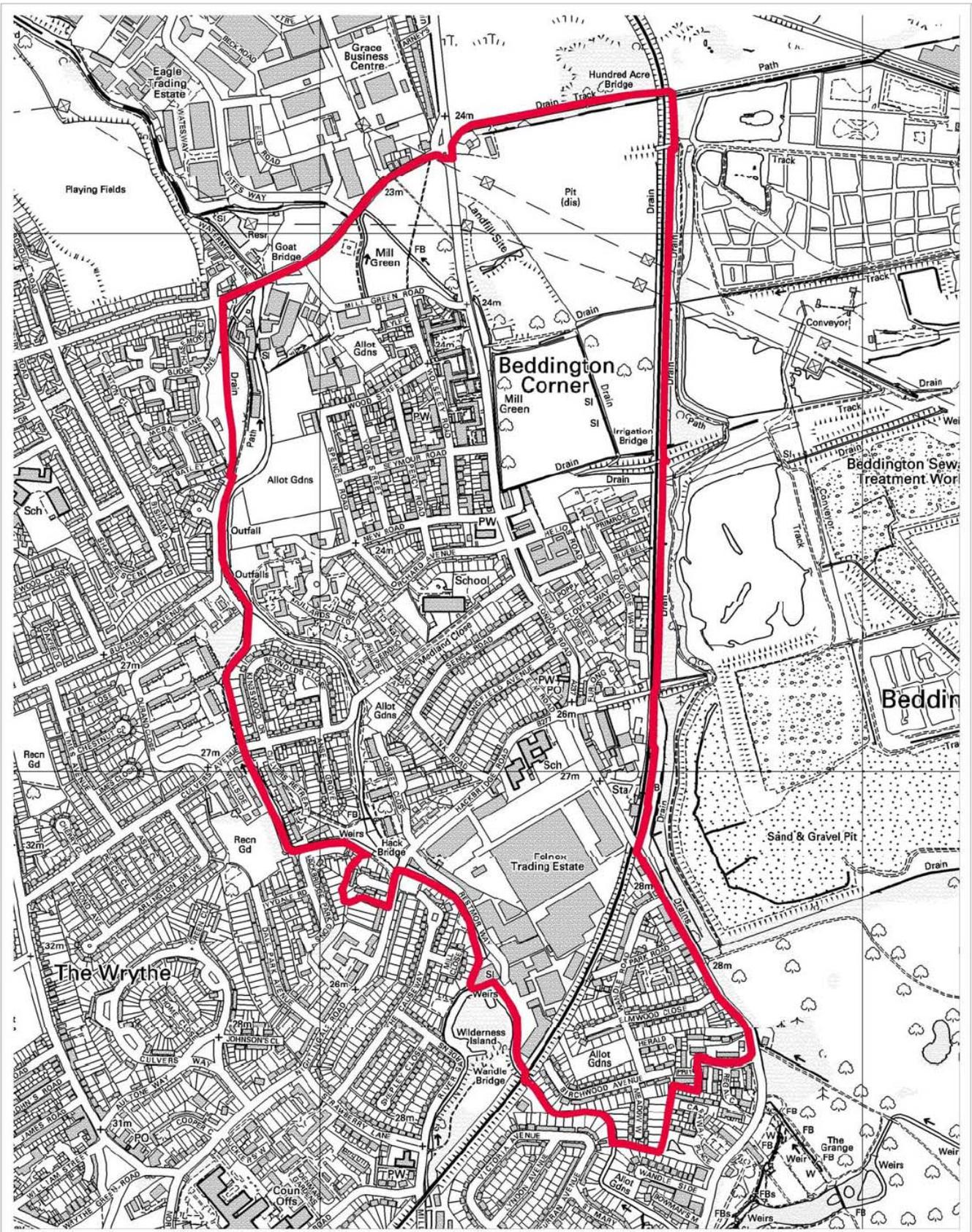
Interest Groups

- Wandle Valley Trust_(Wandle Valley Regional Park)
- London Wildlife Trust
- Beddington Farmlands Bird Group

Secretary

Provide secretarial support to record an accurate record of meetings, actions and to task members to effect such actions and report back.

ANNEX 2 – PROPOSED HACKBRIDGE AND BEDDINGTON CORNER BOUNDARY



Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Development Group
Proposed Area

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