

Ascot, Sunninghill and Sunningdale Neighbourhood Area Designation Application

This application for neighbourhood area designation is submitted to the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

It is submitted on behalf of the following parishes:

- Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Council
- Sunningdale Parish Meeting

A signed statement of support from each parish is provided in Appendix A to the application.

Definition of the area to which the application relates

This application relates to the combined administrative area of the two parishes of:

- Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Council
- Sunningdale Parish Meeting

A map showing the boundary is provided in Appendix B to the application.

Justification for why the area is considered appropriate for designation as a neighbourhood area

The parishes form a logical area for a Neighbourhood Plan with commonalities across the two parishes. The proposed plan area boundary is bound by Windsor Great Park to the north and Borough administrative boundaries on all other sides providing natural boundaries for the plan. The joint working of the parishes enables resources to be shared.

The area is characterised by three main village centres of Ascot, Sunninghill and Sunningdale and a number of other villages including South Ascot, North Ascot and Cheapside. Whilst each village has its own characteristics, which play a key part in defining local identity, the area shares similar concerns and interests with regard to being located between a number of towns, including Camberley, Bracknell, Staines and Windsor. A number of main transport routes also flow between the two parish areas including a number of A-roads and a main train line to London, resulting in common issues of traffic flows and commuter interest in the area.

The preparation of a neighbourhood development plan for the proposed area will enable the efficient preparation of planning policy which better addresses the needs and wishes of the local community and provide a degree of local distinctiveness to how planning decisions are considered.

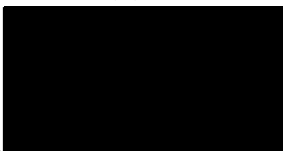

The two parish councils support the preparation of a neighbourhood development plan and are actively working with the community to achieve this. A steering group to drive the plan process has been established. A number of topic groups have also been established to research local issues and bring forward recommended actions for consultation.

The legal entitlement to make this application

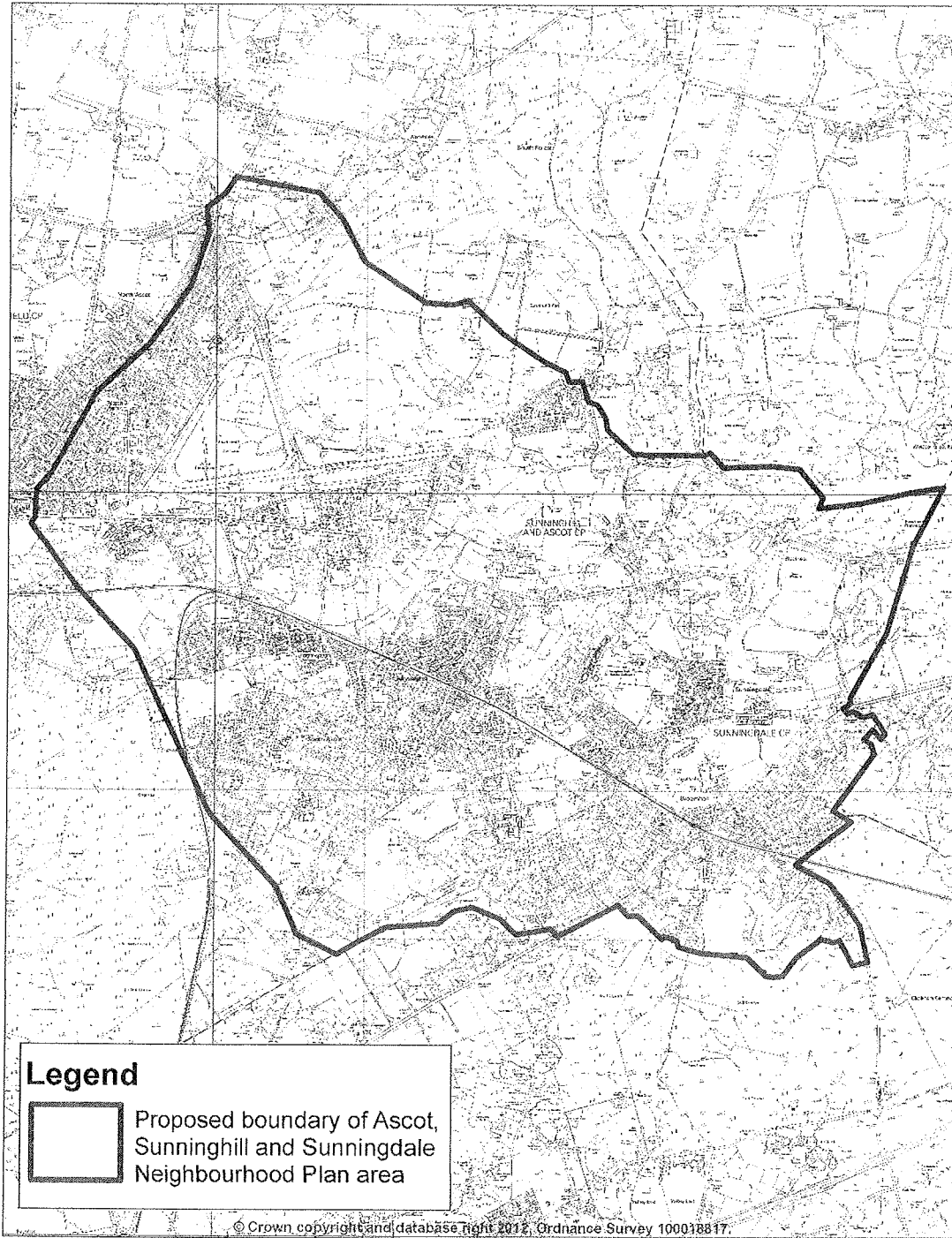
Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Council and Sunningdale Parish Council constitute 'relevant bodies' for the purpose of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The specified area applied for consists of and only includes the combined administrative area of these relevant bodies.

**Appendix A:
Statement of Support**

We confirm that we support this application for designation of a neighbourhood area.

Signed:		For Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Council
Name and Position:	MR. JEFFREY YONG CHAIRMAN, SUNNINGHILL & ASCOT PARISH COUNCIL	
Date:	29th October 2012	
Signed:		For Sunningdale Parish Council
Name and Position:	CHRISTINE GADD CHAIRMAN SUNNINGDALE PARISH COUNCIL	
Date:	29th October 2012	

**Appendix B:
Map showing the proposed Ascot, Sunninghill and Sunningdale
Neighbourhood Area**



**Proposed Ascot, Sunninghill and Sunningdale
Neighbourhood Plan Area**