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**Cllr Michael Wilson, Leader Havant Borough Council  
Public Service Plaza  
Civic Centre Road  
Havant  
PO9 2AX**

**Dear Cllr Wilson**

**Re. Application for Emsworth Ward to be Designated as a Neighbourhood Area  
and for the Emsworth Forum to be Approved as the Relevant Body to prepare  
a Neighbourhood Plan for Emsworth**

Emsworth ward was designated a Neighbourhood Area and the Emsworth Forum was approved as a relevant body by Havant Borough Council at a meeting of the Full Council in July 2014 for a period of five years, expiring in July 2019. The Emsworth Forum will be submitting its draft Neighbourhood Plan to HBC shortly for further public consultation and public examination prior to being voted on at referendum. As this will occur after our current designation expires, we are today applying again, as the Localism Act 2011 provides for the designation of Emsworth as a Neighbourhood Forum Area in accordance with regulation 5 of Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

We attach with this letter a map which identifies the area to which the application relates as Schedule A.

We also attach Schedule B, a statement explaining why this area is considered to be appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area.

Schedule C is a statement explaining why the Emsworth Forum is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act.

We also request that the Emsworth Forum be approved by Havant Borough Council as a Neighbourhood Forum to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the Emsworth Area under Regulation 8 of Part 3 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. In accordance with these regulations

- I. Our name is the Emsworth Forum. Where appropriate this may be abbreviated to the Forum or EF.
- II. We attach our Constitution under Schedule D
- III. The name of the area to be re-designated is Emsworth and Schedule A is a map which identifies the area.
- IV. The contact details to be made public under regulation 9 and 10 are those of the Forum Chair and Secretary under Schedule E



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- V. Schedule C is a statement which explains how the neighbourhood forum meets the conditions contained in section 61F (5) of the 1990 Town & Country Planning Act
- VI. The membership of the forum is open to :
- a. Individuals who live in the area
  - b. Individuals who work in the area (either for business carried out there or otherwise)
  - c. Individuals who are elected members of Havant Borough Council whose area falls within the neighbourhood area concerned
  - d. The current membership of the Forum is 527, comprising:
    - 466 resident members within Emsworth ward
    - 33 resident outside the ward and
    - 28 businesses & community organisations

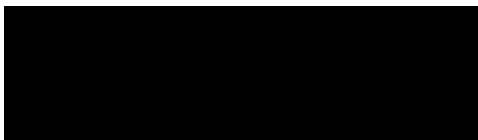
Schedule F is a summary listing the conditions required under Section 61F (5) of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act and detailing the manner in which the proposed Emsworth Forum meets each of those conditions.

Once we have received our designation we look forward to continuing to work closely with the Council to complete the final stages of a Neighbourhood Plan thereby ensuring local people get the right kind of development for Emsworth, while being in general conformity with the strategic policies of HBC's adopted and emerging Local Plan.

We trust that this application will meet with the Council's approval and that you can proceed with it once you have satisfied the various regulatory requirements that HBC must meet, including a public consultation and decision by the Full Council. We have been working closely with your Officers in developing our Neighbourhood Plan and are grateful for their advice and support. We would be pleased to assist you and your colleagues as appropriate to enable you to reach your decision.

We look forward very much to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



**Stephanie Elsy, Chair**

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Cllr Leah Turner, Cabinet Lead for Planning, Communities & Housing  
Cllr Lulu Bowerman and Cllr Richard Kennett