

Application for Designation as Neighbourhood Area

(see Section 61G(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 SI2012/637)

If you require a copy of the form in an alternative format or language phone: 01768 212268. If you require any help with completing the form, please contact the Neighbourhood Planning Officer at Eden District Council on Telephone: 01768 212474 or Email: Fergus.McMorrow@eden.gov.uk.

Section 1 - Applicant

1. Name of your organisation

Alston Moor Parish Council

2. Address of organisation

Alston Town Hall
Front Street
ALSTON
Cumbria
CA9 3RF

3. Website (Leave this blank if your organisation does not have a website address)

<http://www.cybermoor.org/> and <http://www.alstonmoor.org/>

4. Contact person and position

Mrs C. A. Johnson. Clerk to the Parish Council

5. Address (if different from Question 2)

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6. Contact details

Email	clerk@alstonmoor.org
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Section 2: The Proposed Neighbourhood Area

7. Area Proposed

The proposed 'Neighbourhood Area' consists of the entire parish area administered by Alston Moor Parish Council ('the Area'). It includes the settlements of Alston, Nenthead and Garrigle, the hamlets of Blagill, Leadgate and Nentsberry, scattered settlements and the surrounding rural area as incorporated within the Alston Moor Parish Boundary

8. Inclusion of a Map identifying the area to which the area application relates (Reg.5(1)(a) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)

A map which identifies the Area to which the area application relates is included and attached to this application form

9. Statement addressing why the Area Proposed is Considered Appropriate (Reg.5(1)(b)) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)

The Area is considered appropriate because it forms a distinct neighbourhood area geographically and historically and has a strong sense of community identity.

Alston Moor is an ancient parish and township in Eden, Cumbria comprising some 15000 hectares. It is located in the High Pennine moors in the NE part of Cumbria County and Eden District. It is separated from the main towns and other parishes of Cumbria by high moorland. It has a history of mining and agriculture and has a strong community. It neatly coincides with the Alston Moor District Council electoral ward.

The aspirations of Alston Moor Parish Council derive from Alston Moor Parish Council's work with Alston Moor Partnership which developed a Community Plan last updated in 2012. The Partnership, the Community Plan, and the Parish Council combine together to bring improvements to the quality of life in Alston Moor. The Parish boundaries have formed the Area for the purposes of this work. The Area is relatively self-contained and isolated. The boundaries of the Parish, therefore, form a logical area for Neighbourhood planning purposes.

Alston Moor has a very active Parish Council that wishes to secure the ability to use the community rights provided by the Localism Act 2011 to further the wellbeing of its local community. The Parish is particularly concerned to ensure that there is an increase in employment opportunities and adequate housing. This is for the benefit both of local people and for those who may wish to move to the Area. The Parish is also keen to ensure that vacant and derelict buildings are brought back into use. Another vitally important factor is to ensure that the infrastructure for new development is adequate and does not increase the flood risk to existing properties.

Following Designation the Parish will consider how the new planning tools provided can best be applied to support these objectives.

Section 3 - About your organisation

- 10. Statement Addressing Why You Believe Your Organisation is a Relevant Body?**
(Statement in compliance with Regulation 5(1)(c) of Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)

The body (Alston Moor Parish Council) making this area application, being a Parish Council, is a 'Relevant Body' (as defined in Section 61G(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990) for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Act. The proposed area consists of the Parish of Alston Moor and only the Parish of Alston Moor.

Section 4: Authorisation


11. **When did the Applicant duly authorise this Application to be made?**
(Please include date of meeting and minute number (if available) and any delegations used.)

Alston Moor Parish Council Meeting 3rd March 2014. Minute no 9d/MAR/14
A certified true copy of the minute signed by the Proper Officer has been submitted with this application.

12. **Declaration**

I confirm that this application for Neighbourhood Area Designation being made to Eden District Council has been duly authorised to be made on behalf of Alston Moor Parish Council, being the relevant body for Neighbourhood Planning purposes.

(Signature of duly Authorised person such as the Parish Clerk.)

Signed	Print Name and Office
	CHRISTINE A JOHNSON
Date	8/4/2014

The Information you have provided will be publicised to conform to the requirements under regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

