Neighbourhood Area Decision Notice

This notice concerns the designation of Rogate & Rake Neighbourhood Area. The power to designate a neighbourhood area is exercisable under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Rogate Parish Council as the 'relevant body' submitted an application for designation of a neighbourhood area to South Downs National Park Authority in 3rd September 2020. The specified area includes the whole of the parish boundary. Rogate Parish have formally requested the SDNPA designate a Neighbourhood Area for the parish of Rogate. The submission included a) a map identifying the area, b) a statement explaining why the area is considered an appropriate neighbourhood and c) a statement that the organisation making the application is a relevant body, as required by Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

In determining a neighbourhood area application, the SDNPA must consider the following:

How desirable is it to designate the whole of the parish area as a neighbourhood area?	The parish is wholly within the South Downs National Park. The application is to designate the whole of the parish area as a neighbourhood area and this is considered appropriate.
How desirable is it to maintain the existing boundaries of areas already designated as neighbourhood areas (as areas designated as neighbourhood areas must not overlap)?	The Parish boundary has changed since the original designation of the Rogate neighbourhood area in 2013. A small area to the south of the parish has been transferred to Harting Parish. It is necessary to amend the designated Rogate neighbourhood area so there is no overlap with any future area designated for Harting Parish. In addition, where a parish council applies for the whole of the area of the parish to be designated as a neighbourhood area, the local planning authority must designate the whole of the area applied for or the same applied for the area applied for t
Should the area be designated as a business area?	The specified area is not wholly or predominantly business in nature and so it is inappropriate to designate it as a business area.

Neighbourhood Area application determination under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

I am satisfied that the specified area of Rogate Parish is an appropriate area to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area.

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Director of Planning, South Downs National Park Authority

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¹ National Planning Practice Guidance: Neighbourhood Planning Paragraph: 032 Reference ID: 41-032-20170728



