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Subject: Designation of Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves Neighbourhood Area

Report to: Full Council – 15 December 2022

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SUBJECT MATTER

Designation of Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves Neighbourhood Area

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

Approves the designation of Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves Neighbourhood Area.

1. Neighbourhood Area Designation

- 1.1. The designation of the Neighbourhood Area establishes the formal start of the Neighbourhood Plan making process. The neighbourhood area is simply the area over which a neighbourhood plan will apply. Under 'The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012' (as amended), neighbourhood areas can be automatically adopted where they are single full parish areas. However, where the area relates to a wider area, consultation and a decision by the local authority is required.
- 1.2. This proposed Neighbourhood Area is for a joint Neighbourhood Plan, comprising the combined three full parish areas of Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves. The application was made by Belton with Browston Parish Council as the leading body. It is clear from the minutes of each the respective parish council meetings in September that the three parish councils have decided to prepare a joint neighbourhood plan.
- 1.3. A six week public consultation has been carried out in accordance with those Regulations, closing on 18 November 2022. Two representations were received as follows:
 - Bradwell Parish Council: No Comments
 - Burgh Castle Parish Council: Support designation of a joint neighbourhood plan, felt the plan will be a great benefit to the community as a whole.
- 1.4. The Borough Council (along with the Broads Authority, as part of the area falls within that local planning authority area), has 20 weeks from the date of which the application was published to determine the area application.

1.5. The areas covered by the proposed Neighbourhood Area are similar in character and have good linkages between them. Given there were no objections received at consultation, it is considered that the proposed Neighbourhood Area is appropriate.

1.6. The Council's Local Plan Working Party has endorsed the designation.

2. Conclusion

2.1. The recommendation is that Council designates Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves Neighborhood Area.

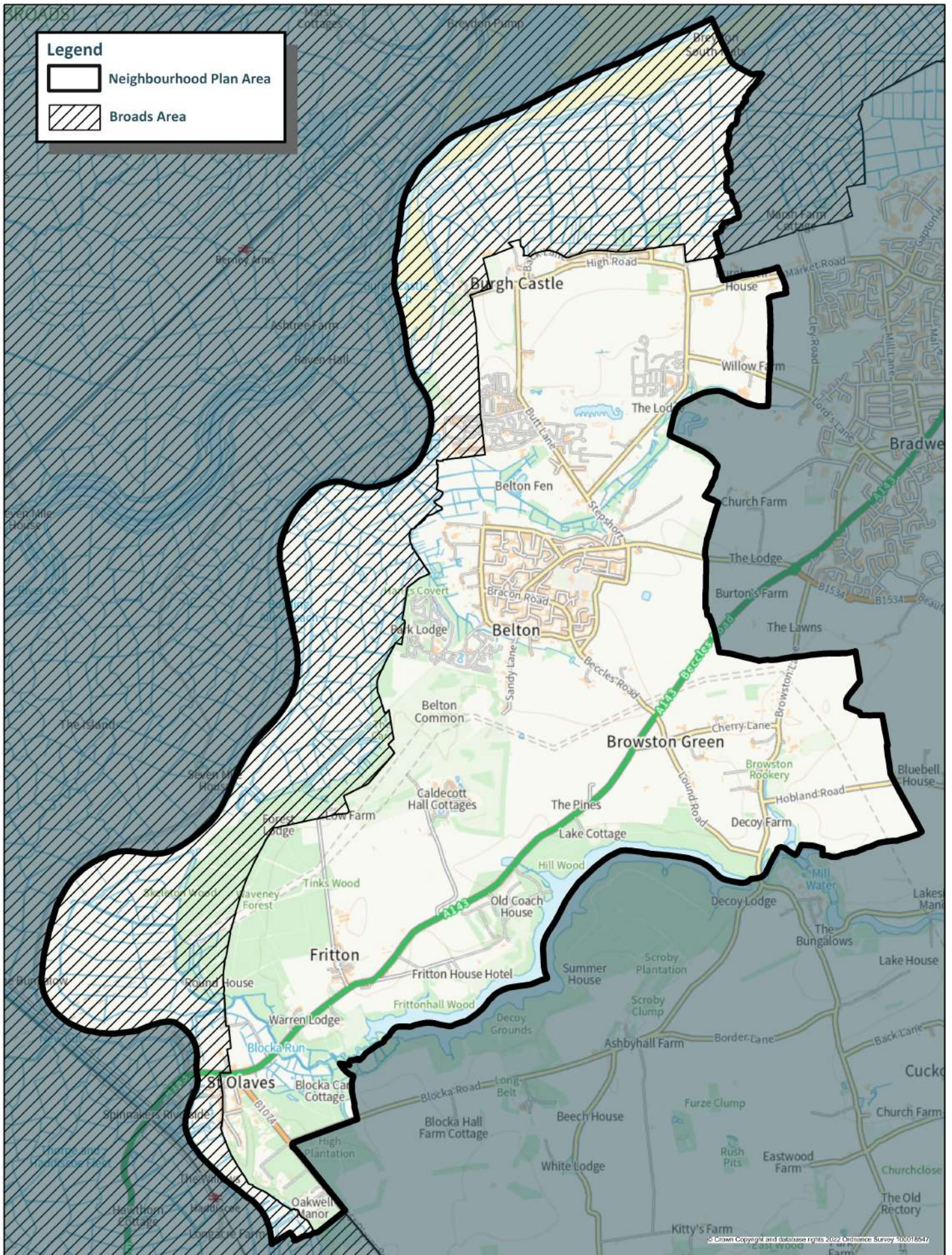
3. Appendix

Appendix 1: Neighbourhood Plan Area

Areas of consideration: e.g. does this report raise any of the following issues and if so how have these been considered/mitigated against?

Area for consideration	Comment
Monitoring Officer Consultation:	Via ELT
Section 151 Officer Consultation:	Via ELT
Existing Council Policies:	Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy, Local Plan Part 2
Financial Implications (including VAT and tax):	The Council does not receive any more grant funding for area applications but can receive funding once the Neighbourhood Plan has a date set for a referendum to take place. Support and guidance will also need to be resourced by officers.
Legal Implications (including human rights):	n/a
Risk Implications:	n/a
Equality Issues/EQIA assessment:	n/a
Crime & Disorder:	n/a
Every Child Matters:	n/a

Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves Proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area



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