



# GRAPPENHALL AND THELWALL PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Joanne

## **Re: Designation of Grappenhall and Thelwall as a Neighbourhood Area**

Grappenhall and Thelwall Parish Council would like to seek permission (as a qualifying body) to Warrington Borough Council, to designate the whole of the parish of Grappenhall & Thelwall, as a Neighbourhood Area, to enable the Parish Council to produce a Neighbourhood Plan. It is considered that the whole parish is appropriate to be designated as the neighbourhood area – as it has clear boundaries and is generally recognised as an existing entity for policy making purposes.

A number of volunteers have come forward to assist in the production of a Neighbourhood Plan from both Grappenhall and Thelwall villages, and there is much support for covering the whole of the parish, as opposed to a part of the parish. It is intended that a Steering Group will be formed, which will consist of 8-10 individuals – roughly half will be Parish Councillors and the other half will be members of the public. We also have a number of individuals who have offered to assist in the process, but won't necessarily be part of the Steering Group.

We have already met with Kirkewlls – who will oversee the whole process and assist in the plan production.

I have attached a plan of the proposed Neighbourhood Area – showing the Grappenhall and Thelwall parish boundary.

Yours sincerely

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Responsible Financial Officer  
On behalf of Grappenhall & Thelwall Parish Council