# **Tettenhall District Community Trust**



# **Written Statement**

Neighbourhood Area & Forum Application - Sep 2024

From: OUR PLACE, OUR PLAN 2014 THROUGH TO OUR DISTRICT (2024) – COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

#### WRITTEN STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The following written statement is endorsed by The Tettenhall District Community Trust, its incorporated entity: Tettenhall District Community Interest Company, and its working group association – Tettenhall Community Forum, in support of the application for Neighbourhood Area and Forum, made in Sep 2024.

- 1. The Forum ("Tettenhall District Community Trust" and related entities and associations) is established for the express purpose of promoting and improving the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of Tettenhall Regis and Tettenhall Wightwick (together "The Tettenhall Wards") in the City Of Wolverhampton; constituting the defined Neighbourhood Area of "Tettenhall District".
  - a. Community Interest Statement Beneficiaries: "The activities will be focussed on providing benefit to the c23,000 inhabitants of the wards of Tettenhall Regis and Tettenhall Wightwick (together "The Tettenhall Wards") in the City Of Wolverhampton".
  - b. Activities & Related Benefit:
    - To be responsible for the production of a replacement Tettenhall Neighbourhood Plan.
    - ii. Promoting and improving the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the Tettenhall Regis & Wightwick wards.
    - iii. To seek and hold funds for local projects on behalf of the Tettenhall Wightwick and Regis wards.
    - iv. A consultation body for Central, Regional and Local government on the Tettenhall Neighbourhood Plan.
- 2. The Forum's membership is open to individuals who live or work in "Tettenhall District", or who are elected "Trustees" of "Tettenhall District Community Trust" serving a 5 year term, or who are elected ward councillors whose ward (or part of their ward) falls within the Neighbourhood Area concerned. Ward councillors may apply for election as "Trustees", or attend Trust committee meetings on a coopted basis, or attend the forum's working group association "Tettenhall Community Forum" since the district consists of their electoral wards.
- 3. The Forum's membership includes a minimum of 21 individuals.
- 4. The Forum has a written constitution.

Subject to Council approval the applicant confirms this application is compliant with Section 61F(7) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. No such further conditions other than as laid out in this written statement were prescribed by Wolverhampton City Council ('WCC'), as per clause 5(e).

## Other aims, objectives and purposes of the Neighbourhood Forum:

- 1. To be the qualifying body under 2012 neighbourhood plan regulations in the absence of Parish or Town Council for:
  - a. Neighbourhood Development Orders
  - b. Community Right To Build Orders
- 2. To act as main advisory body for Wolverhampton City Council as Local Planning Authority (LPA) for matters affecting the district, developments relevant to policies in the neighbourhood plan, solutions and strategies for the district and development plans.
- 3. Registration under Wolverhampton City Council "Statement Of Community Involvement" for:
  - i. Consultation on Planning Documents (DPD,SPD, LDD)
  - ii. Duty To Cooperate
- 4. Guide future direction of the district through neighbourhood partnerships, delegated powers, roles and planning policies, working with WCC.
- 5. Protect the character, heritage, residents' associations matters affecting the district as a whole, management of business, amenity, ecology, and enforcement of local services and processes for the District. Sustain Tettenhall District interests (residents group(s), business, heritage and amenity).
- 6. Support and coordinate concerns from groups and individuals in the district for planning, consultation and funding for neighbourhood solutions.
- 7. Engage in partnerships and council locality activity, local planning escalations, consultations appropriate to the council SCI policy and neighbourhood plan SSP'.
- 8. Consult with WCC under the 2014 Neighbourhood plan for changes affected by new 2024 WCC Local Plan, and any future plan consultations.
- 9. Administration of provided services and facilities, such as community services, allotments where WCC can agree to an effective approach with the forum taking responsibility for its own local services and facilities.

#### **FUNDING**

The Tettenhall District Community Trust has identified the following sources of funding:

- 106K
- Drainage Fund
- Proceeds Of Crime Funds
- Council grants and awards
- Sustain costs provided on per project funding from grant organisations
- Community Funding
- Operating profits from commercial activity and project deliverables.
- Government Community Ownership Fund
- Community Fund Grants

### **CONFORMANCE**

The Tettenhall District Community Trust confirms that it has, in support of its Neighbourhood Area and Forum application, Sep 2024:

- Secured, and taken reasonable steps to attempt to secure, membership from all relevant categories of membership consisting of residents, business leaders, elected officials (subject to AGM) and co-opted ward councillors.
- Drawn its membership from different places within the neighbourhood area concerned, and from different sections of the community in the area. Membership and petition lists, and the process undertaken, have been provided with the application for determination by the council.

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