Appendix 2

How the Plan was made

• Plan Preparation

In order to prepare the Plan, the Parish first had to establish the Plan area and made arrangements for decision making and undertaking the work. To do this the Parish Council was fortunate enough to be able to draw on local expertise in a variety of specialist areas in the form of volunteers. It also decided that it would need independent specialist help at certain points in the Plan-making process. To this end it established a budget including funds allocated from the Parish Council and a Government Grant made available specifically for the purpose of producing Neighbourhood Plans.

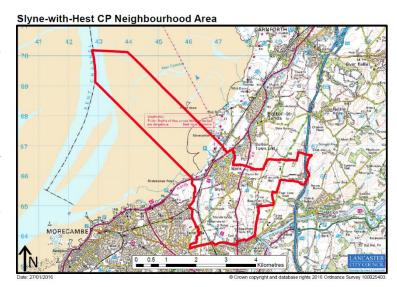
• Area of Designation

One of the first actions in the production of the Plan was to define the Plan Area and have it officially designated by Lancaster City Council. The Parish Council were interested in issues that could affect large parts of the Parish and as such it decided to have the whole of its area designated as the Neighbourhood Plan Area.

The Area was submitted to Lancaster Council for Designation on January 22 2016 after a 4 week statutory consultation period (1 Feb 2016 29 Feb 2016) held via by Lancaster Council, the area was designated in April 2016

The Designated Area

The Neighbourhood Plan area covers the Civil Parish of Slyne-with-Hest and makes use of the defined Parish Boundaries. The Parish includes the communities of Slyne and Hest Bank along with the open countryside areas along Morecambe Bay and into the North Lancashire Green Belt. The Parish also includes the newly completed Bay Gateway which connects Junction 34 of the M6 with the Heysham Peninsula.

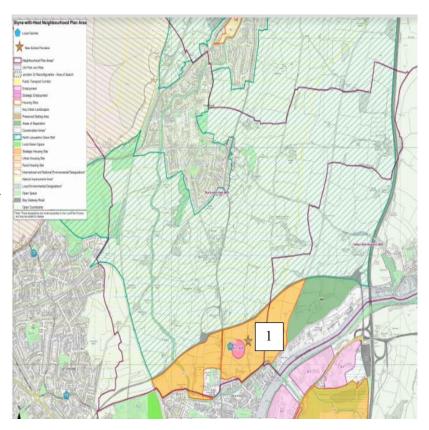


Since the initial designation of the Neighbourhood Plan area in March 2016 the City Council have prepared and published a draft Local Plan for the district which seeks to meet evidenced strategic development needs for the district. Consultation on this draft plan took place in early 2017 and it is anticipated that a Publication and Submission of the district-wide Plan will take place in 2018

The district wide plan is seeking to meet an evidenced need of 11.119 houses through the 20 year plan period (2011 – 2031), In order to achieve this (in accordance with national planning policy) the City Council has identified a range of strategic green field sites in the district.

This includes the allocation of land at Hammerton Hall / Beaumont Hall for the delivery of approximately 700 new houses (as identified in Policies SG 9 of the Local Plan) and supporting infrastructure to facilitate growth in this area The allocation of this land is contained

with the Parish of Slyne-with-Hest within and the designation Neighbourhood Plan area and is therefore of relevance to this Neighbourhood Plan, however given the 'strategic' nature of the allocation made (i.e. 'strategic' in the sense that the scale development proposed is critical to the Local Plan meeting evidenced development needs) it is recognised by the Neighbourhood Plan that this is an allocation which must be pursued by the Local Plan process.



Strategic Development within the Parish – 1.

Development of this allocation will result in an increase in new homes within the Parish of Slyne-with-Hest which is welcomed and considered to be positive, however given the allocations positioning on the edge of the Parish, its stronger relationship with Lancaster (which is directly adjoins the allocation) and the positioning of the new Bay Gateway which

severs any new development from the wider parish it is recognised that the delivery of housing will not have a significantly positive contribution to meeting the local needs of the wider Parish. As a result the Neighbourhood Plan will seek to be positive and proactive in identifying opportunities for future growth which meets local aspirations.

Opportunities for input into the strategic development will still come via the preparation of the masterplan, the preparation of policy within the local plan and the expected pre-application consultation recommended to developers of the site.

Strategic Environmental Assessment/Habitats Directives

The Plan will require full Strategic Environment assessment and Habitat Regulations assessment

(Completed 2019)

Time Line for making Slyne with Hest Neighbourhood Plan 2015 – 2031

April 2015 Decision to apply for funds to develop the plan

June 2015 First Public meeting

July 2015 First steering group meeting

August 2015 Initial discussion about the vision and agreement to employment of

consultant

September 2015 Formulation of official steering group

January 2016 Terms of reference written and adopted.

February 2016 Official consultation of Area of Designation

March 2016 Formal application of funding

April 2016 Formal approval of Area of Designation

April 2016 Appointment of Consultant

June 2016 £4530 Government grant funding awarded via Locality

Summer 2016 Stage One Consultation with community commenced

Autumn 2016 Vision and objectives adopted, writing of the Plan commenced.

2017 Continued research and development of plan including information day

for the local community and Stage Two Consultation

April 2017 Second Government Grant £4470.

2018 Continued consultation and updates with the local community via

coffee mornings

Winter 2018 SEA/HRA Screening commenced

Spring 2019 SEA/HRA Screening ongoing

Spring 2019 Further information sharing via coffee mornings with the local

community

Summer 2019 SEA/HRA Completed

Revision of Draft Plan

Parish Council Approval of Draft Plan

September 2019 Regulation 14, 6 Week Consultation.

Leaflet distributed to every household explaining how to access the

draft plan.

2020	Regulation consultation report and plan amend
2021	Plan submitted regulation 15