

Planning Committee

21 June 2024

Agenda item number 10

Geldeston and Gillingham Neighbourhood Plan – area designation consultation

Report by Planning Policy Officer

Summary

This report introduces the Geldeston and Gillingham Neighbourhood Plan.

Recommendation

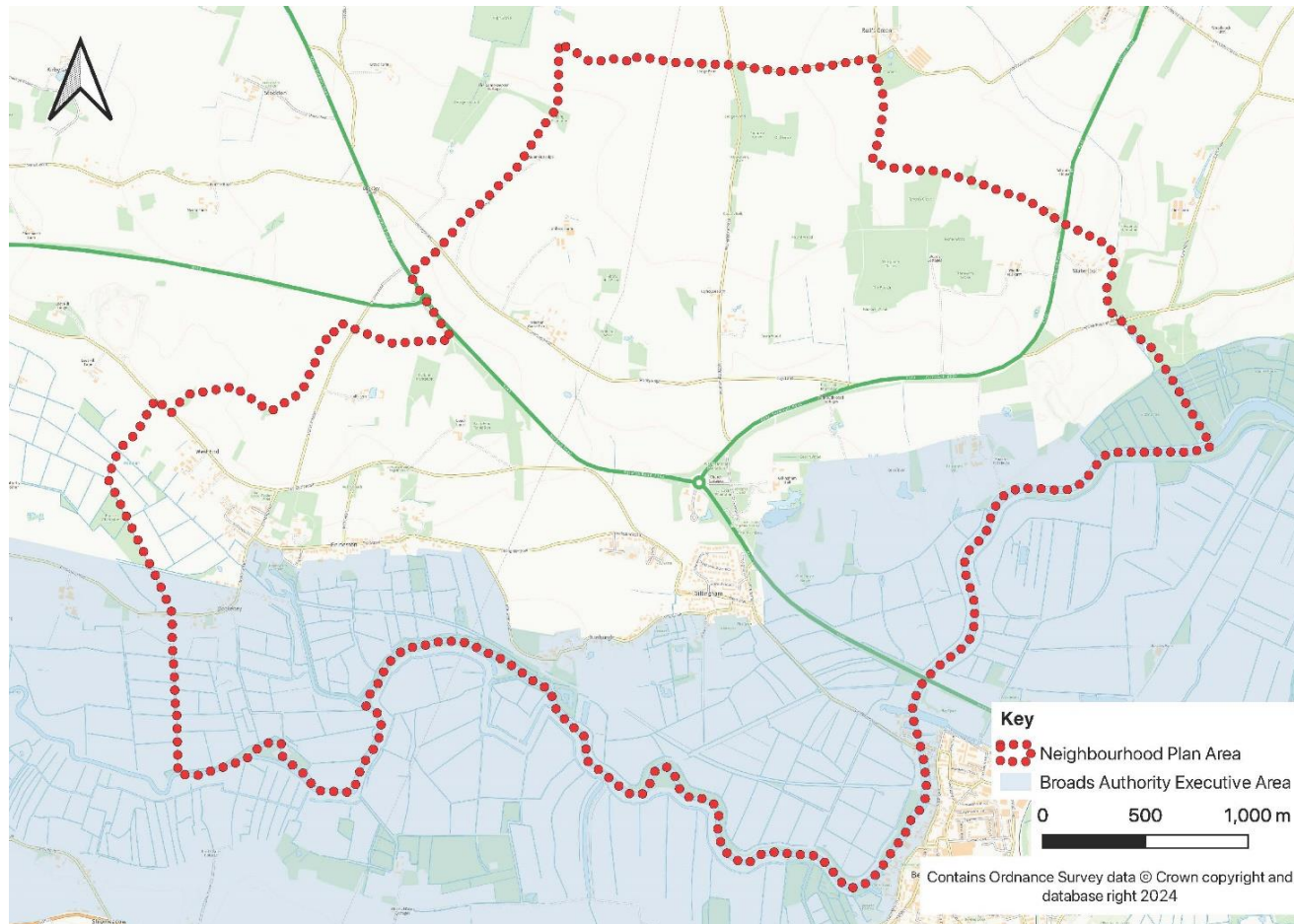
To agree to Geldeston and Gillingham becoming a neighbourhood area to produce a Neighbourhood Plan.

1. Neighbourhood planning

- 1.1. Neighbourhood planning was introduced through the Localism Act 2011. Legislation then came into effect in April 2012 giving communities the power to agree a Neighbourhood Development Plan, make a Neighbourhood Development Order and make a Community Right to Build Order.
- 1.2. A Neighbourhood Development Plan can establish general planning policies for the development and use of land in a neighbourhood, such as where new homes and offices should be built, and what they should look like.
- 1.3. Under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, a parish or town council within the Broads Authority Executive Area undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan is required to apply to the Broads Authority and the relevant District Council to designate the Neighbourhood Area that their proposed plan will cover.
- 1.4. An update to the National Planning Policy Guidance removed the previous requirement to consult on the proposal for six weeks, and it is for the Local Planning Authority to agree an area becoming a Neighbourhood Area in order to produce a Neighbourhood Plan.

2. The Geldeston and Gillingham Neighbourhood Plan Area

- 2.1. Geldeston and Gillingham Parish Councils in South Norfolk has submitted the application for both areas to be designated a Neighbourhood Area. Because there was more than one parish involved, a consultation was held between 15 April and 29 May 2024. No objections were received.



3. About Geldeston and Gillingham neighbourhood area application

- 3.1. The nomination was received on 21 March 2024. The consultation ended 29 May 2024. No objections were received.
- 3.2. There are no known or obvious reasons not to agree the Neighbourhood Area.

4. Useful links

[Neighbourhood planning \(broads-authority.gov.uk\)](https://broads-authority.gov.uk)

[Geldeston and Gillingham Neighbourhood Plan – South Norfolk \(southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk\)](https://southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk)

[Royal Town Planning Institute neighbourhood planning guidance \(rtpi.org.uk\)](https://rtpi.org.uk)

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