Dear Sirs,

On behalf of Chipping Norton Town Council and the Neighbourhood Planning Project Board I would like to apply to WODC and submit an application for designation of a neighbourhood area.

Chipping Norton Town Council is a relevant body for the purposes of Section 61G of the 1990 Act.

I attach a Map that outlines in red the area suggested which conforms to the Local Development Framework and Draft Core Strategy area as published in recent WODC documents.

We believe this designated area is appropriate as it includes all the key sites around the eastern edge of the town and town centre sites on Albion Street and Spring Street. This designated area also fits well with the strategy incorporated within two strategic documents published by WODC. “The Core Strategy So Far (February 2009) and the “Preferred Approach (February 2010)” . It also has foundations in the strategy of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan adopted in June 2006.

As the Plan will cover only the parish of Chipping Norton then the neighbouring Parish councils will be consulted at every stage of the project and where relevant, may be invited to nominate a representative onto one or more of the Task Groups. The Town Council acknowledges at the outset the importance of the surrounding villages to its economic and social future and will therefore be especially mindful of engaging its neighbours in this process.

Yours faithfully,

Chris Butterworth
Mayor of Chipping Norton

Designated area for the Neighbourhood Plan