

<b>PLANNING &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE</b>	AGENDA ITEM No. 6
<b>23 APRIL 2019</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	<b>Cllr Hiller</b> - Cabinet Member for Growth, Planning, Housing and Economic Development	
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## THE THORNHAUGH CONSERVATION AREA BOUNDARY AMMENDMENT

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
<b>FROM</b> : Daniel Worley - Planning Services	<b>Deadline date</b> : N.A.
That Committee:	
1. Notes the outcome of the public consultation on the Thornhaugh Conservation Area Boundary Amendment	
2. Supports the adoption of the revised Thornhaugh Conservation Area Boundary	

### 1 ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 A review of the Thornhaugh Conservation Area was carried out in 2018 as part of the Council's on-going review of all 29 of Peterborough's designated Conservation Areas. A detailed written appraisal was prepared for the area and it recommended amendments to the existing boundary. These were put to a public consultation and it is now proposed that the revised Thornhaugh Conservation Boundary Amendment be adopted.

### 2 PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 This report is submitted to the Committee for approval of the Thornhaugh Conservation Area Boundary Amendment, as appended. The report provides an update on the outcome of the public consultation on the Draft Thornhaugh Conservation Area Boundary.
- 2.2 The purpose of this Report is so that the Committee can be consulted and give its views before its submission to Cabinet.

### 3 TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	<b>NO</b>	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	N/A
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### 4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The draft Boundary was subject to public consultation from 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019. A copy of the document was published on the Council's website, and a letter was sent to all properties in the village and other interested parties, including the Peterborough Civic Society, Historic England, the Parish Council and the ward councilor.
- 4.2 Representations have been received from Historic England, Thornhaugh Parish Council and local residents in support the Conservation Area Boundary. Comments from Thornhaugh Parish Council and other residents were also broadly supportive of the Boundary Amendments, albeit with specific comments. No comments were received with any substantial objections to the Draft Conservation Area Boundary Amendment.

- 4.3 During the consultation period, Historic England updated its Conservation Area Technical Guidance. This did not materially change any guidance with respect to the proposed conservation area boundaries.
- 4.4 One minor amendment has been incorporated resulting from consultation comments. This relates to the Boundary as it crosses Manor Farm from 21 Russell Hill, it now skirts around the southern barn rather than incorporating it. The approved version will be available on the Council's web site.

## **5 ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES**

- 5.1 The Thornhaugh Conservation Area Boundary fulfils the Local Planning Authorities obligations under Section 71 the Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to 'formulate and publish proposals for the preservation and enhancement of ...their conservation areas'. The updated boundary identifies the extent of the special character of the Thornhaugh Conservation Area and in association with the Thornhaugh Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan, confirms that it merits designation as a conservation area.

## **6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

Adoption of the *Thornhaugh* Conservation Area Boundary Amendment as the Council's planning policy will:

- Fulfil the Local Planning Authorities obligations under the Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to prepare and publish proposals for the preservation and enhancement of Conservation Areas.
- Have a positive impact on the enhancement of the conservation area by ensuring that the full extent of the area of special character is incorporated within the conservation area and subject to planning consideration.

## **7 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

1. Do nothing – this would be contrary to Government guidance (Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990) and Guidance on Conservation Area Appraisals, English Heritage 2019.

## **8 IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1 There are no specific financial implications for the City Council identified in this report.
- 8.2 The revised Conservation Area Boundary identifies the extent of the areas special interest within Thornhaugh and therefore extends the area to which the Thornhaugh Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan would relate. The implementation of some of these works within the Thornhaugh Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan will however, require the involvement of the City Council, specifically in relation to future works to the public realm. This may have cost implications but these cannot be quantified at this time, but with the extension being largely over private land, this is considered to be minimal. Works will also involve co-ordination across Service Departments of the Council.
- 8.3 Potential public sector funding partners may emerge for some works, depending on the grant regimes and other opportunities that may exist in the future. Other works, such as the replacement of non-original features, may be carried out entirely by private owners without public funding.
- 8.4 The City Council will seek to attract additional resources in partnership with other interested parties and funding bodies to help implement works identified in the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan.

## **9 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)  
Conservation Area Designation, Appraisal and Management, Historic England (2019)

**Appendix 1 Thornhaugh Conservation Area Proposed Boundary**

**Appendix 2 Thornhaugh Conservation Area Existing Boundary**

**Appendix 3 Thornhaugh Conservation Area Consulted Boundary**

**Appendix 4 Thornhaugh Conservation Boundary Amendment consultation comments and responses**

**Appendix 5 Discussion regarding reasons for each individual amendment**

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