

Appendix A: Sudbury Town Neighbourhood Forum Consultation. Representations received, officer summary and responses

Representor	Officer summary	Officer response	Recommendation
No name/ identifier 1	Do not support. The Council ignored the work of the previous forum from 2017-2023 regarding planning decisions, and therefore the designation is pointless.	It is not the case that the Council ignored the previous forum. There have been occasions, such as the refusal of the Pocket Living scheme where the Council has issued a decision broadly consistent with STRA's stated position. The Council put forward a strong case in defending the decision, which ultimately an Inspector agreed with, in dismissing the appeal. It is acknowledged that the Council has also permitted development against the wishes of the Forum. On such occasions there are clear reasons that set out STRA's objections and how they were weighed up in the planning balance to deliver the decision made.	No change
Resident 1	Support the designation. I think it's great to enable local people to have a voice in the development of their area.	Noted.	No change
No name/ identifier	Support the designation. We need to have a Forum to help with the Neighbourhood Plan.	Noted.	No change
Through the Looking Glass Hairdressers	Support the designation. We need a forum to help us work together to build a mixed community where views regarding development can be heard, especially given the number of high rise blocks and HMOs, and the importance of green space.	Noted.	No change
Resident 2	Support the designation. To be kept informed and not to become just part of high rise Wembley.	Noted.	No change
Resident 3	Support the designation. It helps the local community voice the things which are important to them.	Noted.	No change
Resident 4	Support	Noted.	No change

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Resident 5	Generally supportive, but the constitution notes that you need to sign a form/apply on their website in order to demonstrate eligibility to join, although there does not appear to be a website. Neither can I find any minutes from their AGM. This needs to be addressed if they are to be designated.	Sudbury Town are not yet a designated Neighbourhood Forum. Once they are fully recognised by the Council, they would be expected to operate in accordance with their written constitution. At 7.1 of their constitution it identifies that the Forum will maintain a web site. At 6.2 it identifies that minutes from meetings, including the Annual General Meeting, will be posted on said website within 2 weeks of the meeting taking place.	No change
Resident 6	Support the designation, as I did the previous Forum which unfortunately failed. I support the principle of a forum to help voice local views. I was disappointed that the Barham Park application was granted against Neighbourhood Plan policy which although overwhelmingly voted for by local residents, appears to have been given little weight. Local residents know best when it comes to their area, and hopefully this new forum will bring forward a more beneficial relationship between the residents and the Council.	Noted. The reasons for the decision to approve that application were set out by the Council, which on balance, notwithstanding the objection from local residents/ groups, was considered acceptable.	No change
Resident 7	Support the designation as I think it is good to have a say in local matters.	Noted.	No change
Resident 8	Support the designation to preserve the voice of residents in our neighbourhood.	Noted.	No change
Resident 9	Support the designation as the Forum is very active and compassionate in dealing with matters raised by local residents.	Noted.	No change
Resident 10	Support the designation as it is a "go to" for residents of Sudbury Town when it is difficult to get in touch with the Council, particularly for senior citizens and those less able.	Noted.	No change
Resident 11	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 12	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 13	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 14	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 15	Support the designation as the Forum gives local residents a voice to assist in achieving positive change.	Noted.	No change
Resident 16	Support	Noted.	No change

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Resident 17	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 18	Support the designation as it helps residents improve the local area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 19	Support the designation as it provides local residents with a voice for local matters.	Noted.	No change
Resident 20	Support the designation as it allows me to have a say in the local community.	Noted.	No change
Resident 21	Support the designation as it allows people to have a say in the local community.	Noted.	No change
Resident 22	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 23	Support the designation as it allows people to have a say in the local community.	Noted.	No change
Resident 24	Support the designation as it helps improve the area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 25	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 26	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 27	Support the designation as it helps me become a part of local decision making.	Noted.	No change
Resident 28	Support the designation as I want to take part in community discussions regarding things that affect us all.	Noted.	No change
Resident 29	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 30	Support the designation as I want to keep in touch with local planning works.	Noted.	No change
Resident 31	Support the designation as I am happy to have a say in what happens in the forum area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 32	Support the designation as I agree that residents have a say in their local area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 33	Support the designation as I would like to have a neighbourhood Forum in my ward.	Noted.	No change
Resident 34	Support the designation as it allows local residents to voice their concerns to the Council as a group. This allows dialogue with the Council and Met Police on matters such as planning development, litter, crime, and other issues.	Noted.	No change

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Satguru Travel And Tourism Limited	Support	Noted.	No change
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Resident 35	Support the designation as residents need a voice in our community.	Noted.	No change
Resident 36	Support the designation as we need more community involvement in local planning and other issues facing Sudbury.	Noted.	No change
Resident 37	Support the designation as I agree that people should have a voice in what happens in the local area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 38	Support the designation as residents need to be involved and consulted about what is planned to happen in the area where they live and work.	Noted.	No change
Resident 39	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 40	Support the designation as local people should have a say on the local area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 41	Support the designation as the needs of this area, community and residents are not covered by other forums.	Noted.	No change
Resident 42	Support the designation to promote and improve the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the Neighbourhood Area.	Noted.	No change
No name/ identifier 2	Support the designation as we need to stop the high rises, not all areas need them and are suitable for them	Noted. The Forum can seek to take forward policies that might address this matter. Any such policies would have to be justified and consistent with national, London and strategic local policies.	No change

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Resident 43	Support the designation as I don't want to see more buildings knocked down for new multi story flats. There is no space for all these people in this small town.	Noted. The forum area is subject to a housing target set within the Local Plan. This was added at the request of the Planning Inspectors who examined the Local Plan. This target was consistent with the capacity anticipated through site allocations and the London Plan's small site delivery assumptions. As such, the forum will ideally proactively plan to accommodate this target, or if this is not possible, at least not undermine this strategic policy target.	No change
Resident 44	Support the designation as the forum will protect us from brent council over populating the area with too many people and housing.	Noted. The forum area is subject to a housing target set within the Local Plan. This was added at the request of the Planning Inspectors who examined the Local Plan. This target was consistent with the capacity anticipated through site allocations and the London Plan's small site delivery assumptions. As such, the forum will ideally proactively plan to accommodate this target, or if this is not possible, at least not undermine this strategic policy target.	No change
Resident 45	Support the designation as I don't want more to see more blocks of flats without parking. The parking problem is already too bad to have more people coming to the area with cars but without parking spaces. Just clean it up and maintain the area.	Noted. Parking standards are set out in strategic policies in the London Plan and Local Plan. These, consistent with national policy are set out as maximums to be provided on site. The standards seek to balance provision according to the development's circumstances and in particular its access to public transport. It should not be assumed that where alternatives are available to reduce reliance on the private car that the Council will nevertheless require maximum on-site standards to be achieved.	No change
Resident 46	Support the designation as we need a forum to help stop Brent over developing and over populating the area.	Noted. The forum area is subject to a housing target set within the Local Plan. This was added at the request of the Planning Inspectors who examined the Local Plan. This target was consistent with the capacity anticipated through site allocations and the London Plan's small site delivery assumptions. As such, the forum will ideally proactively plan to accommodate this target, or if this is not possible, at least not undermine this strategic policy target.	No change

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Resident 47	Support the designation as it allows residents to voice their opinions on matters which affect the area, as it will affect their everyday lives.	Noted.	No change
Resident 48	Support the designation as there is currently no formal organisation representing residents on the local authority managed estate on which I live.	Noted.	No change
Resident 49	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 50	Support the designation as it is good to have citizens involvement in planning.	Noted.	No change
Barham Village Residents Association	Support the designation as the Forum allows local residents to take part in decisions which affect them, and ensure outcomes meet local needs. The local demographic is always changing and the forum enables them to participate.	Noted.	No change
Resident 51	Support the designation as It provides a stronger voice to the local residents.	Noted.	No change
No name/ identifier 3	Do not support as there is already an existing Neighbourhood Forum for the area.	Noted. The previous Neighbourhood Forum in the area, STRA, has since lapsed. The most recent application for forum status by STRA was refused by the Council. The Council has to determine this application based on the information submitted and its performance against the statutory tests.	No change
No name/ identifier 4	Do not support as there is already an existing Neighbourhood Forum for the area.	Noted. The previous Neighbourhood Forum in the area, STRA, has since lapsed. The most recent application for forum status by STRA was refused by the Council. The Council has to determine this application based on the information submitted and its performance against the statutory tests.	No change
Resident 52	Do not support.	Noted.	No change
V S MOTORS	Support	Noted.	No change
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Resident 53	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 54	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 55	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 56	Support	Noted.	No change

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Resident 57	Support the designation as it will allow the community to have a voice in how their neighbourhood should be and develop for the present and the future.	Noted.	No change
Cllr. Teo Benea	Support the designation. Its great to see such a diverse community come together to engage in planning matters and work constructively with the Council to improve the social, economic, and environmental wellbeing of the area.It is important for local residents to have a voice and work with the Council on priorities for how their area will be shaped.Green spaces such as Barham Park are very important for the community, and it is important that they have a say on how they are shaped. The engagement strategy was very effective in reaching all parts of the community. Their constitution is also well put together outlining how the organisation will operate and the clear roles of the elected members. As a local Councillor i have worked with many of the residents involved and have seen their commitment to making Sudbury a nice place for all residents. I look forward to working with them closely.	Noted.	No change
Resident 59	Support the designation if it means Sudbury will improve as a collective forum.	Noted.	No change

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Resident 61	Support the designation as it will allow residents to have a say in the future of the area, providing direct contact with the Council who will be obligated to discuss planning and development with us. The community will therefore have a wider say in local issues such as housing, local shops, open spaces, transport, and sustainable growth. It is important for residents to have a voice to protect the local suburban character and heritage of the area. This will allow outcomes to be mutually beneficial for the Council and the area's diverse community.	Noted. A revised Neighbourhood Plan could if suitably evidenced contain policies that relate to the existing character of the area and how this should be considered in planning decisions. It should be noted however that in the national and London context the need for additional homes remains large, Sudbury is well connected and has a very limited number of designations that elevate its built form to have a high degree of protection. Much is likely to remain in strategic policy an area with a higher priority for additional homes.	No change
Resident 62	Support the designation as it will help residents have more say over what development takes place in the area, as we are very concerned over the scale of development and how it impacts local infrastructure.	Noted. It should be noted however that in the national and London context the need for additional homes remains large, Sudbury is well connected and has a very limited number of designations that elevate its built form to have a high degree of protection. Much is likely to remain in strategic policy an area with a higher priority for additional homes.	No change
Resident 63	Support the designation as Sudbury needs an active campaign group to keep an eye on developments.	Noted.	No change
Resident 64	Support the designation I'm a concerned citizen.	Noted.	No change
Resident 65	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 66	It is important for local resident groups to have a voice in the planning decisions for the area they live in.	Noted. It was unclear if this comment was entered in support of the application and no e-mail address was left to be able to clarify. As the yes/ no option was filled in no, it is assumed it was an argument as to why the forum shouldn't be approved.	No change
Resident 67	Support the designation as we need to protect our green spaces and make sure the council does not build towers on them	Noted. The Council has never indicated that it will be acceptable to build towers on green spaces in Sudbury.	No change
Resident 68	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 69	Support the designation as the Forum allows people have a say in local matters.	Noted.	No change
Resident 70	Support the designation.	Noted.	No change

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No name/ identifier 5	Support the designation as it provides a platform for local views regarding planning and the environment to be heard.	Noted.	No change
Resident 71	Support the designation to enable local control of the area. As the Council have issues with STRA, we should try the new Forum.	Noted.	No change
Resident 72	Support the designation as it's important for local residents to have a say in what's happening in their area. We need to ensure it stays a safe place to live and go out and about.	Noted.	No change
Resident 73	Support the designation.	Noted.	No change
Resident 74	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 75	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 76	Support the designation. It is vital that green spaces are preserved. It is important that the Council consults with local people about projects and budget.	Noted.	No change
Sudbury Town Residents' Association	Support. The Sudbury Town Residents' Association plays a crucial role in fostering community engagement and should be granted the next 5 years forum status to effectively advocate for the protection and preservation of Sudbury's invaluable green spaces.	Noted. Clarity has been sought from respondent on whether they still support the forum application as it is not STRA's application. No response received to date.	No change
Resident 41	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 78	Support	Noted.	No change
Sudbury Town Residential Association	Support the designation. I am interested because I live in area and would like to protect green land.	Noted.	No change
Resident 79	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 41	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 81	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 82	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 83	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 84	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 85	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 86	Support the designation as I believe local people make better decisions about their local areas than others.	Noted.	No change

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Resident 87	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 87	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 89	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 90	Support the designation as I want to safe green space in Sudbury Town	Noted.	No change
Sudbury Matters	Support	Noted.	No change
Sudbury matters	Support the designation as we need an organisation to represent sudbury town residents.	Noted.	No change
Resident 91	Support the designation as a measure to support local democracy.	Noted.	No change
Resident 92	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 93	Support the designation as they have worked very well together for the support.	Noted.	No change
Resident 94	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 95	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 96	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 97	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 98	Support	Noted.	No change
Tui UK	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 100	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 101	Support the designation as we have a neighbourhood plan which allows residents to have a say in local matters	Noted. The Neighbourhood Plan remains whether or not there is a forum, nevertheless a forum is likely to advocate for the local community on planning matters and how the community interprets the plans policies.	No change
Resident 102	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 103	Support the designation as I would like to know what is going on in my area and have a say along with other residents and businesses.	Noted.	No change
Resident 104	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 105	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 106	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 107	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 108	Support the designation as Sudbury needs a neighbourhood forum.	Noted. Support welcome.	No change

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Resident 109	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 110	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 111	Support the designation as community involvement is the way forward.	Noted.	No change
Resident 112	Support the designation because as someone with a family I am interested in having a voice and say in planning in the area.	Noted.	No change
Resident 114	Support the designation because as a family living in the area, I want more of a say in planning matters.	Noted.	No change
Resident 115	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 116	Support	Noted.	No change
Resident 117	Support	Noted.	No change
Historic England	No comment	Noted.	No change
National Highways	No comment	Noted.	No change
Natural England	No comment	Noted.	No change
Transport for London	No comment	Noted.	No change