## **Application B**

## Regulation 8: Application for the Designation of a Neighbourhood Forum

- 1. The name of the proposed neighbourhood forum is 'Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Planning Group'.
- 2. A copy of the written constitution of the Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Planning Group is attached as Appendix B.
- 3. The proposed name for the Neighbourhood Area is 'Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Area'. The map attached at Appendix A shows the proposed boundary.
- 4. The Chair of the proposed Neighbourhood Forum is:



- 5. As clarified in the constitution, and in accordance with section 61F(5) of the 1990 Act, the Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Planning Group has been established for the express purpose of promoting or improving the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the proposed Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Area.
- 6. Membership of Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Planning Group is open to:
  - individuals who live in the proposed Neighbourhood Area,
  - individuals who work there (whether for businesses carried on there or otherwise)
  - individuals publicly elected to represent the area
  - individuals who own property and/or businesses in the proposed Neighbourhood Area
  - individuals representing organisations with significant demonstrable beneficial interest in the future of the proposed Neighbourhood Area (e.g. Retford Civic Society, Retford Business Forum)
- 7. At the point of application, our membership includes 23 individuals, categorised as follows:
  - Representatives of businesses and organisations: 19
  - Residents: 2
  - Elected representatives: 2
- 8. The spatial distribution of current members, as mapped in Appendix C, demonstrates that there is a range of businesses, organisations, commercial and volunteer-based groups, and individuals, represented across the area.
- 9. We will continue to welcome new members to the Neighbourhood Forum as the development of the Neighbourhood Plan progresses.

Submitted on behalf of the Retford Town Centre Neighbourhood Planning Group to Bassetlaw District Council by Frederick Brand, Chair