Notice is hereby given that, as a relevant body, Tilehurst Parish Council has made an application to West Berkshire Council to designate an area for a Neighbourhood Plan. The area proposed to be covered by the Neighbourhood Plan consists of the whole of the parish of Tilehurst.

The designation of an area is the first stage in the process of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. A copy of the application and the accompanying map are available for public inspection on West Berkshire District Council’s website: www.westberks.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning. The documents are also available for inspection at West Berkshire District Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury, RG14 5LD free of charge between the hours of 8:30am, and 5:00pm on Mondays to Thursdays, and 8:30am to 4:30pm on Fridays and at all public libraries in the District during their normal opening hours.

The application is being published for consultation for four weeks from Friday 13th March 2015 until Tuesday 14th April 2015. At this stage representations are invited in relation to the area to be covered by the Tilehurst Neighbourhood Plan as set out in the application. Representations should be submitted by email to planningpolicy@westberks.gov.uk; by fax 01635 519408; or by post to the Planning Policy Team, Planning & Countryside, West Berkshire Council, Market Street, Newbury. RG14 5LD by Tuesday 14th April 2015.

The District Council will then determine whether it is appropriate to designate the neighbourhood area, taking into account any representations received on the application. If the area is designated, then work can begin on gathering the evidence necessary to inform the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Further information is available by contacting the Planning Policy Team at the Council Offices on 01635 519505 or via email at planningpolicy@westberks.gov.uk.

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