Application to Oldham Council for registration as a neighbourhood forum

Name of proposed area: Chadderton Neighbourhood Area

Name of proposed Neighbourhood Forum: The Chadderton Partnership

Constitution: As attached

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Statement

Chadderton does not have a Parish or Town Council so a provisional neighbourhood forum has been formed to lead and co-ordinate the plan making process. This was led by Chadderton Together, a registered charity encompassing many local voluntary bodies, who held a series of meetings with interested parties from the various groups in the proposed neighbourhood area. A public meeting was held in Chadderton Town Hall on the 3rd April which was attended by about 30 people. In addition individual people who live or work and are active in the proposed neighbourhood area and were approached to see if they would be interested in becoming involved.

Currently 21 people have committed to becoming members. The list is attached and includes four local councillors as well as local residents from different parts of the proposed neighbourhood area and local businesses and reflects the ethnic mix of the area. The list also identifies the members who have been elected to the management committee.

The management committee is committed to encouraging other people to get involved to ensure that the Partnership is as representative as possible. This will be done via a website that will be created as well as meetings based round the topic areas that have so far been identified as of significance to the area.
Aim of the Partnership

To prepare a Neighbourhood Plan in partnership with Oldham MBC and other stakeholders in order to promote and improve the social, economic and environmental well being of the area by:

- actively encouraging all members to participate fully in the activities of the forum
- encouraging the goodwill and involvement of the wider community
- fostering community spirit and encouraging civic pride
- encouraging engagement with the Chadderton Partnership to allow discussion of the issues that affect the neighbourhood area as well as ideas that may enhance such as transport planning, health, local public services, local businesses or open spaces
- supporting projects that are of benefit to the neighbourhood area
- considering proposals by public or private sector bodies likely to have a significant impact on the social, economic and/or environmental wellbeing of the area

The Neighbourhood Plan will set out the partnership’s policies for the use of the land in the neighbourhood area or, in partnership with other forums, parish councils or planning authorities the wider area taking account of the need to balance the different concerns of the people who live and work in the area and the powers and resources of the local authority in relation to planning matters,

Declaration

I hereby apply for the designation of a neighbourhood forum as described in this form and in the supporting documents.

Signed: W.A. TOMLINSON

Dated 23 JANUARY 2020