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For the attention of Miss Rebecca Mayman

Dear Miss Mayman,

Neighbourhood Plan, Churchill and Blakedown Parish

Churchill and Blakedown Parish Council has agreed that it wishes to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish.

The Parish of Churchill and Blakedown covers an area between the built up settlements of Kidderminster and Hagley, within the rural Worcestershire countryside and in the Green Belt. Churchill village is within a Conservation Area. The Parish includes the larger village of Blakedown, the small village of Churchill and outlying settlements of Ismere, Stakenbridge and Hurcott. Blakedown village contains St James the Great church, the Primary School, two public houses, three shops, the Parish Rooms, sports field and pavilion, and the railway station. Churchill village contains St James the Great church and the village hall.

When considering the area for a Neighbourhood Plan it was considered by the Parish Council that the whole Parish should be included to avoid an over-emphasis on the village of Blakedown. A map of the Parish is attached.

Under Section 61G of the 1990 Act the Parish Council automatically qualifies as a suitable body to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan.

A Steering Group has yet to be finally established; this will include representatives of many organizations within the Parish. As Clerk to The Parish Council I will be the contact for the Steering Group.

I would be grateful if you could arrange to publicise the formation of the Parish Council's intention to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan, in order to meet any legal requirements of the scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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