

Somers Town Neighbourhood Forum: Neighbourhood Boundaries.

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1. The name of the applicant is **Somers Town Neighbourhood Forum**. Somers Town Neighbourhood Forum is a relevant body capable of being designated a Neighbourhood Forum in accordance with section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act.
2. The neighbourhood area is called **Somers Town (see attached map)**. The neighbourhood lies within the following boundaries:

North: Oakley Square, Crowndale Road (B512).

East: Midland Road.

South: Euston Road (A501).

West: Eversholt Street (A4200), Barnby Street, Hampstead Road (A400).

The boundaries were discussed and drafted through community workshops held on 30.09.11. This was followed up and finally agreed through leafleting postcards for feedback, planning and development working group events, and monthly neighbourhood forum meetings. Reports, minutes and other data are available.

For the main part, Somers Town is a dense multi-cultural area of predominantly social housing (LB Camden / Origin HA), schools and other community facilities. This is recognised in its designation as a 20mph Home Zone. Its future is directly and indirectly affected by major growth opportunities of local, regional and even national order.

It was felt by participants that it is a 'natural neighbourhood', lying between Camden Town to the north and Euston Road (the main inner city ring road) to the south. To the east and west respectively lie the mainline stations of St Pancras and Euston. It was, however, felt that it should include two other small areas to the west and to the north east:

- To the west: the Amptill Estate, lying between Eversholt Street and Hampstead Road. This is because residents use facilities in Somers Town and, like other residents in the neighbourhood, would be threatened by possible HS2 developments at Euston station.
- To the north east: Old St Pancras Church and gardens. This is used by the Somers Town community. It is cut off from other potential neighbourhood planning areas both by the Midland / CTRL railway lines and by the hospital for tropical diseases.

Boundaries have been discussed and clarified with other known neighbourhood planning initiatives in the area (Kings Cross Development Forum) and residents and organisations in adjoining areas (via Area Action Group meetings with local councillors and through inviting community groups to Somers Town Neighbourhood Forum meetings and events). The Forum enjoys good relations with neighbouring communities and will continue to work with them and share information about developments in Somers Town.