APPROVED AND AGREED AT CABINET ON 16 JANUARY 2014

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Forum (H&P NF) and London Borough of Richmond upon Thames (LBRuT)

Strategic Planning and Management of the Riverside

The Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Forum will support the Council in developing a strategic approach to the River Thames and associated open land within the Forum area (defined by the Thames Policy Area, Map A) including the emerging 'River Park' proposals for both sides of the River. This will encompass the common planning and management of the lands and historic houses, parks and gardens along the River including matters such as way marking and interpretation, surfacing of the towpath, habitat creation and flood and water management. The Forum acknowledges that these areas form an integral part of a wider heritage and leisure asset of strategic importance that is valued by the wider community in both Richmond and throughout London.

Consultation

The Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Forum and London Borough of Richmond upon Thames agree to consult each other, in an effective and timely manner, on any proposals, changes or projects within the Neighbourhood Area covered by the Thames Policy Area (Policy DM OS 11).

The H&P Neighbourhood Forum will comply with the consultation requirements set out in the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations, including statutory consultation bodies and recognising the interests of communities on the opposite bank of the River.

Planning Policy Context

The H&P Neighbourhood Forum will in addition comply with the existing policy framework in the adopted London Plan, LB Richmond upon Thames Core Strategy, Development Management Plan and emerging Site Allocations Plan, Supplementary Planning Documents and Conservation Area studies according to current legislation. The planning context also includes the Thames Landscape Strategy, which provides the sub regional context relating to the planning and management of the River corridor.

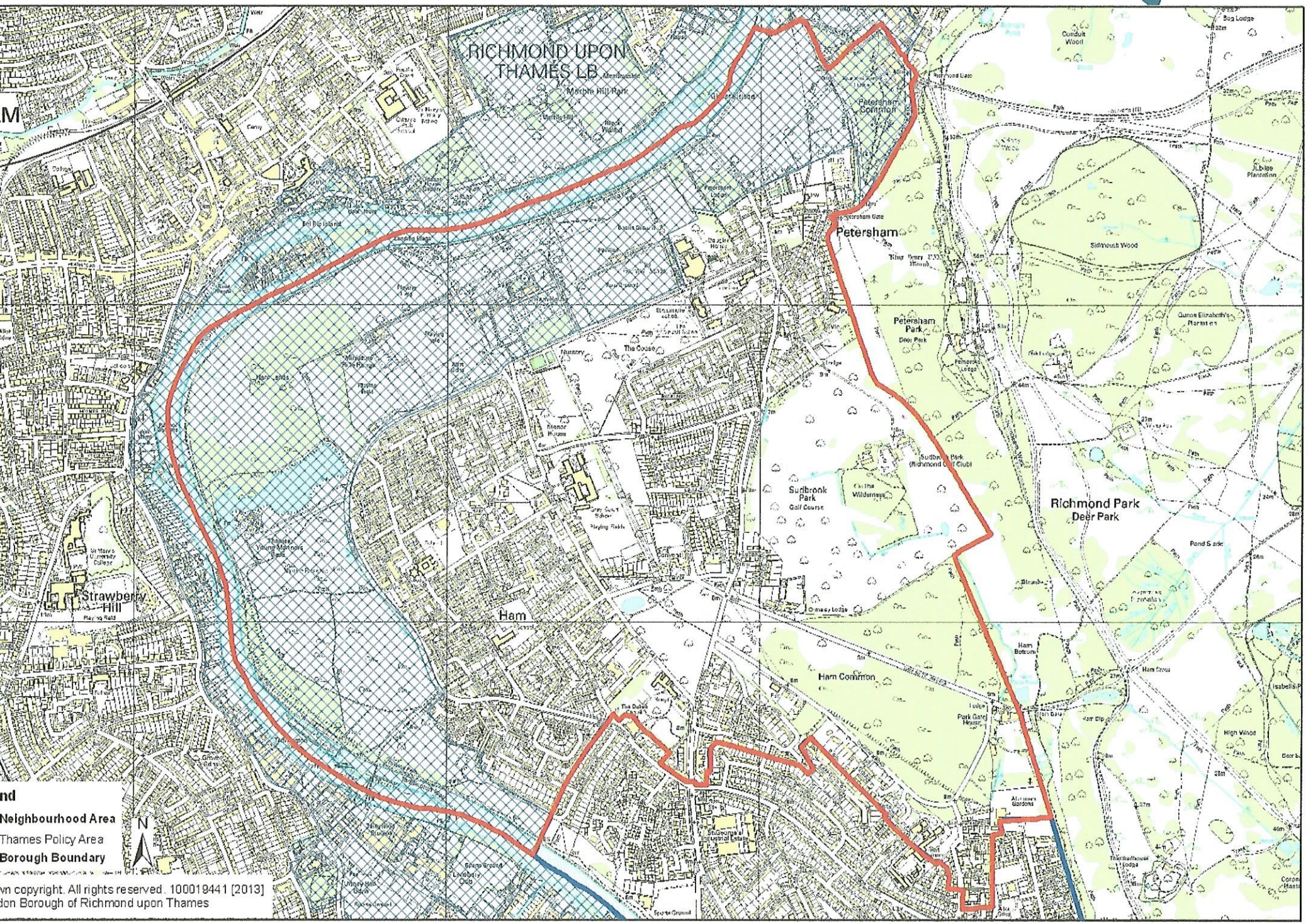
Support from Richmond upon Thames Council

The LB Richmond upon Thames will support the Neighbourhood Forum as required under the Localism Act 2011.

Signed on behalf of the Council.....Rice M. Weer.....

Signed on behalf of Ham and Petersham Forum.....M Bailey.....

MAGGIE BAILEY

Memorandum of Understanding - Map A

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