



16th November 2021

Letter of support for Boston City Status Bid

To whom it may concern,

Boston Primary Care Network would like to support the application for Boston City Status.

As a group of GP practices based in and around Boston, representing approximately 78 000 patients, we feel that becoming a city would bring significant benefits to the town and help Boston transform into a place of choice for living, learning and working. The Boston locality struggles in the recruitment of GP's, nurses, practice staff – clinical and non-clinical and this is something we are eager to change. A city status will increase inward investment, improve prosperity and raise the skills and aspirations of the population.

Boston has diverse cultural influences due to its rich history which is embraced through the Port of Boston, the Guildhall and the stature of the centrally located church of St. Botolph's (Boston Stump) one of the largest parish Churches in England and was used as a landmark for sailors arriving in Boston. Boston and the Reverend John Cotton, also played a significant role with the Mayflower and the Pilgrim Fathers. Their influence is still evident in the USA today.

City Status provides a unique opportunity to market and develop its distinct character and deliver a city that is a worthy of its title.

I wish you all the success in your submission.

Kind Regards

Dr C Kelly

Craig Kelly,

Clinical Director
Boston Primary Care Network