

North Norfolk District Council

Ryburgh Neighbourhood Plan

DECISION STATEMENT

Following the submission of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan by Ryburgh Parish Council, the submitted Plan was publicised and representations were invited between 6th April 2020 and 8th June 2020.

The Plan was subject to independent examination and a report issued by the independent Examiner on 4th August 2020.

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) require the Local Planning Authority (LPA) to outline what action to take in response to the recommendations the Examiner makes in a report under paragraph 10 of Schedule 4A to the 1990 Act (as applied by Section 38A of the 2004 Act) in relation to a Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Paragraph 12(4) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (“the 1990 Act”) states that a referendum must be held on a proposal for a neighbourhood development plan or order if the LPA is satisfied that it meets the basic conditions and other legal requirements or would do so if modifications were made to the draft plan or order (whether or not recommended by the Examiner).

Decision

The Council have considered each of the recommendations contained in the Independent Examiners report, and the reasons for them, and have accepted all of the Examiner’s modifications recommended in order for the submitted Draft Plan to meet the Basic Conditions and legislative tests and proceed to the referendum. The Council agrees, that subject to the incorporation of the modifications set out in the report, the Ryburgh Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to public Referendum. The Council also agrees with the Examiner’s recommendation that the Referendum of the Neighbourhood Plan should be based on the designated Neighbourhood Area that was designated by North Norfolk District Council as a Neighbourhood Area on 3rd April 2017.

The Council has modified the Plan in-line with the Examiners recommendations. This Decision Statement, the Examiner’s report, and the modified referendum version of the Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed on the District Councils website at: www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/ryburghnp

The document is also available for inspection at the District Council offices at Holt Road, Cromer, NR27 9EN. Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm (4:30pm, Fridays).

To meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 a referendum which poses the question

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will be held in the area formally designated as the Ryburgh Neighbourhood Plan Area.

Regulations linked to the Coronavirus Act 2020 mean that no elections or referendums can take place until 6 May 2021. This includes neighbourhood planning referendums. These provisions will be kept under review by the Government and may be amended or revoked in response to changing circumstances.

In the intervening period the National [Planning Practice Guidance](#) states that:

Where the local planning authority has issued a decision statement (as set out under Regulation 18 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012) detailing its intention to send a neighbourhood plan to referendum, that plan can be given significant weight in decision-making, so far as the plan is material to the application.

Paragraph: 107 Reference ID: 41-107-20200513 Revision Date 13.5.2020

A Referendum Information Statement will be made available on the North Norfolk District Council website and advertised locally once the date of the Referendum has been agreed with the Parish Council.

Mark Ashwell

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Planning Policy Manager

02.09.20