

11 May, 2023

Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities c/o Mr Matthew Giles
Planning Inspectorate
Plans Team
Room 3J, Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol BS1 6PN

Dear Mr Giles,

North Norfolk Local Plan: Submission Document

In line with North Norfolk District Council's resolution at its Full Council meeting of **Wednesday 1 March 2023**, I am pleased to submit to the Secretary of State, for examination, the North Norfolk Local Plan in accordance with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

Please find enclosed a paper copy of the Submission Version of the North Norfolk Local Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal.

A file transfer has been provided to you with all supporting documents considered relevant to the production of the Local Plan including:

- 1. Local Plan Proposed Submission Version (Regulation 19 Publication)
- 2. Policies Map (Regulation 19 Publication) (online only)

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- 3. Sustainability Appraisal
- 4. Consultation Statement (incorporating Summary of Main Issues Regulation 20-22 Statement)
- 5. Duly made representations received on the Proposed Submission Version Draft Local Plan (pursuant to Regulation 20).
- 6. Such supporting documents which in the opinion of the local planning authority are relevant to the preparation of the Local Plan.

All of the submission documentation has been assigned a reference code as detailed in the Examination Library table accompanying this letter. The documents will be made available for public inspection as soon as practically possible, including on the Council's examination website at www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/localplan

Request for Modifications

In accordance with Section 20 (7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended), North Norfolk District Council is formally requesting that the appointed inspector recommends modifications to the North Norfolk Local Plan, as may be necessary to ensure legal compliance/soundness.

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The Council has taken the opportunity to review the Regulation 19 stage representations and has prepared documents detailing <u>requested</u> additional modifications to the Plan in response to the comments submitted. These were formally endorsed at Full Council on Wednesday 1 March, 2023. The requested modifications are proposed to aid discussion at examination and have not been subject to any further public consultation at this stage. A working version of the Local Plan incorporating the Council's requested modifications is available on request, if the Inspector would find this helpful, but we have not included this within the examination library at this stage.

Submission Notification

Notification will now be sent to all those who have previously been consulted on or participated in the Local Plan during its production, to notify them of its submission.

Programme Officer

The Council has appointed **Annette Feeney** as Programme Officer to organise and administer the examination under the guidance of the appointed Inspector. Her public contact details are:

- Annette Feeney, North Norfolk Local Plan Examination Programme Officer
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- 07775 771026
- Annette Feeney, Local Plan Programme Officer, NNDC, Cromer, NR27 9EN

It is envisaged that the examination hearings may take around 10 days. We anticipate that the hearings could commence in September.

The proposed venue for the examination hearings is the Committee Room at the Council's main offices in Cromer. This is publicly accessible, meets accessibility needs, and was previously successfully utilised for a Local Plan (LDF) examination. We confirm that separate office facilities and on-site parking will be made available for the Inspectors sole use during the hearing sessions.

We look forward to working with the Planning Inspectorate to deliver a smooth and efficient examination. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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