

## **Hellesdon Neighbourhood Plan – Reg. 16 Publication Guidance Notes**

### **Background**

The Hellesdon Neighbourhood Plan (Submission Draft) has been produced by a volunteer working group on behalf of Hellesdon Parish Council, in consultation with residents, businesses, landowners, developers and other stakeholder organisations. The Neighbourhood Plan covers the civil parish of Hellesdon and seeks to guide the future development of the parish up until 2026. It includes a vision and a set of objectives for the parish, as well as a series of policies that look to shape development within this time period.

Hellesdon Parish Council submitted its proposed Neighbourhood Plan to Broadland District Council in May 2017.

In accordance with the amended Town and Country Planning Act 1990, the local planning authorities has made an initial assessment of the Neighbourhood Plan and the supporting documents and is satisfied that these comply with the specified criteria.

### **Consultation on the submitted Neighbourhood Plan**

Broadland District Council has now published the submitted Neighbourhood Plan for public consultation, as required by Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. This consultation closes at 5.00pm on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017**.

If you wish to view and make comments on the proposed Plan, please visit the [Consultation Portal](#) to submit your comments online.

Alternatively, you can view the document and supporting information at the following locations during office hours:

- **Broadland District Council's website:** [www.broadland.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplans](http://www.broadland.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplans)
- **Broadland District Council offices,** Thorpe Lodge, 1 Yarmouth Rd, Norwich, NR7 0DU
- **Hellesdon Library,** Wood View Road, Hellesdon, Norwich, NR6 5QB
- **Hellesdon Parish Council Offices,** Diamond Jubilee Lodge, Wood View Road, Hellesdon, Norwich NR6 5QB

Copies of a consultation response form will be available at each of the above locations for use in submitting comments as part of this consultation.

As part of your consultation response, you can also state whether you wish to be notified if and when the Neighbourhood Plan has been adopted by the District Council.

Response forms should be sent to the following postal or email address:

Spatial Planning Team  
Broadland District Council  
Thorpe Lodge  
1 Yarmouth Road  
Thorpe St. Andrew  
Norwich  
NR7 0DU

Email: [neighbourhoodplans@broadland.gov.uk](mailto:neighbourhoodplans@broadland.gov.uk)

### **Next steps**

Once this consultation period has closed, Broadland District Council will appoint a qualified, independent person to conduct an examination of the submitted Neighbourhood Plan. All comments received as part of this consultation will be forwarded, with the Neighbourhood Plan documents, to the examiner for their consideration.

The examiner will produce a report setting out their findings and recommendations. The report must recommend that either the Neighbourhood Plan is submitted to a referendum, that the Neighbourhood Plan is modified and then submitted to a referendum, or that the Neighbourhood Plan proposal is refused.

Broadland District Council will then consider the report and decide whether they are satisfied with the examiner's recommendations. The authority will publicise their decision on whether or not the Neighbourhood Plan will be submitted to a referendum, with or without modifications.

If the Neighbourhood Plan is submitted to a referendum then 28 working days' notice will be given of the referendum procedure and Neighbourhood Plan details. If the referendum results in more than half those voting (i.e. greater than 50%), voting in favour of the plan, then the District Council must adopt the Neighbourhood Plan as soon as possible, unless they consider it would breach or be incompatible with any EU obligation or the Human Rights Convention.