Planning Policy & Built Heritage Working Party



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A meeting of the Planning Policy & Built Heritage Working Party of North Norfolk District Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Council Offices on Monday, 9 October 2023 at 10.00 am.

At the discretion of the Chairman, a short break will be taken after the meeting has been running for approximately one and a half hours

Members of the public who wish to ask a question or speak on an agenda item are requested to notify the committee clerk before 10am on the Thursday before the meeting and arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. This is to allow time for the Committee Chair to rearrange the order of items on the agenda for the convenience of members of the public.

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Emma Denny Democratic Services Manager

To: Cllr A Brown, Cllr G Bull, Cllr M Batey, Cllr N Dixon, Cllr P Fisher, Cllr M Hankins, Cllr P Heinrich, Cllr V Holliday, Cllr L Paterson, Cllr J Punchard, Cllr J Toye and Cllr A Varley

All other Members of the Council for information. Members of the Management Team, appropriate Officers, Press and Public



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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

3. MINUTES 1 - 4

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of a meeting of the Working Party held on Monday, 11th September 2023.

4. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To determine any other items of business which the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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Members are asked at this stage to declare any interests that they may have in any of the following items on the agenda. The Code of Conduct for Members requires that declarations include the nature of the interest and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest. Members are requested to refer to the attached guidance and flowchart.

6. BLAKENEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan	
Executive Summary	The purpose of this report is to formally "make" the Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan as part of the statutory Development Plan for North Norfolk. The Plan was subject to independent examination and successful referendum on the 14th September 2023. The Council has a legal duty to "make" the neighbourhood plan within 8 weeks of the day after the referendum (10th November 2023) was held unless it considers that doing so would breach European Union Obligations.
Options considered.	1. Bring the Referendum version of the Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan, into effect as soon as practical and within the 8-week time frame. This would mean that the Blakeney NP forms part of the Council's statutory Development Plan for North Norfolk and be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications in the identified Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan Area.
	2. To not bring the Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan into effect. This would mean that the Neighbourhood Plan would not form part of the Development Plan for North Norfolk and would not become a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.

Consultation(s)

Earlier iterations of the Neighbourhood Plan have undergone public consultation under Regulation 14 and 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). The submitted version of the neighbourhood plan has undergone independent examination and the final modified version has been subject to a public referendum in accordance with Paragraph 12(4) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 on the 14th September 2023.

Recommendations

- 1. Members of the Planning Policy & Built Heritage Working Party recommend to Cabinet that having been subject to successful local referendum;
- a. The Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan be made (brought into force) as part of the statutory Development Plan for North Norfolk in accordance with section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) as soon as practical and within the 8 week statutory time frame:
- b. The issuing of the Decision Statement required under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) in order to bring to the attention of the qualifying body, the people who live, work and or carry out business in the Neighbourhood Plan Area is delegated to the Assistant Director of Planning in conjunction with the Planning Policy Team Leader;
- Acknowledge that the required consequential amendments to the adopted policies map and the required minor consequential changes to the referendum version of the neighbourhood plan through delegated powers to the Planning Policy Team Leader.

Reasons for recommendations

All Neighbourhood Development Plans are required to gain a majority of those voting in favour (50% plus) at a local referendum in order to proceed and be considered for adoption by the Local Planning Authority. If the Plan receives a positive result, then the local planning authority has a legal duty to bring the plan into force within an eight-week period following the day after the referendum was held, unless it considers that doing so would breach European Union Obligations.

The Blakeney Neighbourhood Development Plan is considered to meet the basic conditions set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and be compatible with EU obligations as incorporated into UK law and the Convention rights and complies with relevant provision made by or under Section 38A and

	B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).
Background papers	Further supporting evidence, The Referendum version of the Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan, the examiners report and associate notices can be found for reference at Home Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan (north-norfolk.gov.uk)

Wards affected	Blakeney
Cabinet member(s)	Cllr Andrew Brown, Portfolio holder for Planning
Contact Officer	Neighbourhood Plan Lead: - Iain Withington, Planning

Links to key documents:	
Corporate Plan:	Developing our communities
Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)	N/A
Council Policies & Strategies	Adopted and emerging Local Plan/ Development Plan

Corporate Governance:	
Is this a key decision?	No
Has the public interest test been applied	No
Details of any previous decision(s) on this matter	N/A

7. PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2022

Publication of Annual Monitoring Report 2022-23	
Executive Summary	This report provides an overview of the main development trends in the district for the period 2022-2023. It measures performance against local plan and corporate objectives.
Options considered.	No alternative options considered.
Consultation(s)	The production of the Annual Monitoring report is not subject to public consultation. The information included in the report is factual and is derived from a range of sources including site visits, published data and internal records.

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Recommendations	That Members note the content of the report.
Reasons for recommendations	
Background papers	None

Wards affected	All
Cabinet member(s)	Cllr Andrew Brown: Portfolio Holder for Planning
Contact Officer	Rakesh Dholiwar

Links to key documents:	
Corporate Plan:	Effective planning policies are at the heart of many Corporate Plan objectives. The effectiveness of policies is monitored via the identification of key information, data and performance measures presented in the AMR.
Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)	N/A
Council Policies & Strategies	Core Strategy and Site Allocations Development Plan Documents. Housing Strategy and new Local Plan.

Corporate Governance:	
Is this a key decision	No
Has the public interest test been applied	No
Details of any previous decision(s) on this matter	None

8. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To pass the following resolution (if necessary):

"That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act."