



Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2022 - 2041

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 – Regulation 20: Neighbourhood Plan Adoption Statement

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), Rutland County Council (RCC) has a statutory duty to assist communities in the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders and to take plans through a process of examination, referendum and adoption. The Localism Act 2011 (Part 6 Chapter 3) sets out the Local Planning Authority's responsibilities under Neighbourhood Planning.

2.0 Background

2.1 The Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan relates to the area that was designated by Rutland County Council as a neighbourhood area in Langham which designated the whole of the Parish of Langham as the Neighbourhood Plan Area.

2.2 Following the submission of the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan to the Council, the plan was publicised, and representations were invited. The publicity period ended on Friday 29th July 2022.

2.3 Mr Andrew Ashcroft BA (Hons) MA, DMS, MRTPI was appointed by Rutland County Council with the agreement of Langham Parish Council, to undertake the examination of the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan and to prepare a report of the independent examination.

2.4 The examiner's report concluded that subject to making the modifications recommended by the examiner, the Plan met the basic conditions set out in the legislation and should proceed to a Neighbourhood Planning referendum.

2.5 Following this, the Examiner's modifications were agreed by Langham Parish Council and subsequently agreed by Rutland County Council on 19th October 2022. The Decision Statement which includes all the agreed modifications was then published on the Rutland County Council website.

2.6 On 15th December 2022, the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan successfully passed referendum with 193 (93%) of the votes cast agreeing that the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan can be used by Rutland County Council for the determination of planning applications.

2.7 On 24th May 2022, Cabinet agreed the Director of Places in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Highways and Transport be authorised to 'make' the Langham Neighbourhood Plan part of the Development Plan for Rutland following a successful referendum.

3.0 Conclusion

- 3.1 I confirm, that the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan Submission Plan (incorporating the Examiners modifications as per the RCC Decision Statement), complies with the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in the Localism Act 2011, and as a result of the Cabinet resolution 2022 has been 'made' with immediate effect. The Decision, Neighbourhood Plan and details where these documents can be inspected are published on the Rutland County Council Website. This information has also been brought to the attention of people who live, work and carry out businesses in the Neighbourhood Plan area.
- 3.2 I confirm that the Langham Neighbourhood Development Plan is part of the Development Plan of the Rutland County Council Local Planning Authority Area as defined at Area Designation by Rutland County Council in November 2013. This means that the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan are now given full weight when decision makers assess Planning applications in the parish of Langham.
- 3.3 I am taking the above mentioned decision as I concur with the advice contained in the above report under the 1990 Act in relation to the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- 3.4 I declare that I have no personal or prejudicial interest in respect of this decision.

Signed: 

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Strategic Director for Places, in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Highways & Transport

Date: 16/12/2023

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