



Daventry District Council

Braunston Neighbourhood Development Plan

Decision Statement

17th February 2017

1. Summary

- 1.1 Following a positive referendum result, Daventry District Council is publishing its decision to 'make' the Braunston Neighbourhood Development Plan as part of Daventry District's Development Plan in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

2. Background

- 2.1 Braunston Parish Council, as the qualifying body, applied for Braunston to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area on 21st June 2013. Following consultation on the application the District Council designated Braunston Parish as a Neighbourhood Area on the 5th December 2013.
- 2.2 The draft Neighbourhood Development Plan was published by Braunston Parish Council for public consultation on 27th July 2015 and closed on the 21st September 2015.
- 2.3 Following submission of the Braunston Neighbourhood Development plan to the District Council, the plan was published for consultation by the District Council. The consultation period ran from 4th March 2016 and closed on the 22nd April 2016.
- 2.4 Following the submission consultation, Daventry District Council, with the agreement of the Parish Council, appointed an independent Examiner, Ann Skippers MRTPI, to review whether the plan met the Basic Conditions required by the legislation and should proceed to a referendum.
- 2.5 Following the examination the Examiner's report was completed in October 2016 and made available on the Council's website. The report concludes that subject to the making of the modifications recommended in her report the plan meets the Basic Conditions set out in legislation and should proceed to a referendum. At its meeting on 24th November Daventry District Council considered a report on the Braunston Neighbourhood Plan. Having considered that report, Council resolved that:

- 1) That the significant progress in making the neighbourhood development plan (NDP) by the Braunston community be noted and welcomed.
- 2) That with the exception of the matters referred to in recommendation (3) the Examiner's recommended modifications in respect of the Braunston NDP are accepted.
- 3) That one of the Examiner's recommended modifications in respect of the Braunston NDP (Reference 22 of Table 1 of the proposed Decision Statement) is rejected and another is amended (Reference 26 of Table 1 of the proposed Decision Statement)
- 4) That the Examiner's recommendation that the NDP as modified in accordance with recommendation (2), but further modified by recommendation (3), should proceed to a referendum of voters within the Parish of Braunston be accepted.
- 5) That subject to items (2) and (3) above, the proposed Decision Statement set out in Appendix 1 be approved, subject to any necessary factual alterations.
- 6) That the costs of the referendum be met from the earmarked reserve for neighbourhood planning.

3. Decision and Reasons

3.1 With the Examiner's recommended modifications (and additionally those referenced under point 3) above) the Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions set out in paragraph (8) (2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, is compatible with EU obligations and the Convention Rights and complies with relevant provision made by or under Sections 38A and B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended.

3.2 A referendum into the Plan was held on Thursday 16th February 2017. Those voting were asked the following question:

'Do you want Daventry District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Braunston to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

3.3 The count took place on Thursday 16th February 2017, the result of the referendum was as follows:

Response	Number of Votes	Percentage of Total
Yes	434	85.09%
No	76	14.01%
Turnout : 35.29%		

3.4 The regulations require that a majority of those voting vote in favour for the plan to be made. **This requirement is therefore satisfied.**

3.5 To be legally compliant, neighbourhood development plans must not contravene Convention rights or European Union obligations when made. Based on the Screening Report for Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulation Assessment (October 2015) and confirmed by the examiner in her report (October 2016) and that nothing has come to light subsequently, there is no evidence to suggest any such contravention would occur. I am satisfied that this requirement is met and it is possible for the plan to now be made.

Upon the signing of this document by the Deputy Chief Executive, the Braunston Neighbourhood Plan is made and planning applications in the Braunston Neighbourhood Area must be considered against the Braunston Neighbourhood Plan, as well as existing planning policy

I certify that the above statements are true.

Signed:

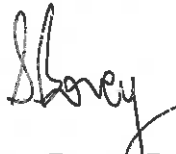


Joanne Christopher, Senior Policy Officer (Planning)

Date... 17.02.17

I certify that I am satisfied that the making the Braunston NDP would not contravene Convention rights or European Union obligations.

Signed:



Simon Bovey, Deputy Chief Executive

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