

Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan

Referendum Information Statement

24 January 2022

Referendum on the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan

A referendum on the 'making' (adoption) of the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 3 March 2022. Polling stations will be open at the Salvation Army Hall, Station Road, Waterbeach, CB25 9HT, and at Chittering Park Campsite, School Lane, Chittering, CB25 9PH.

The question that will be asked in the referendum is: "Do you want South Cambridgeshire District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Waterbeach to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

The referendum area is identified on the map in figure 1 included at the end of this Information Statement. The referendum area is identical to the neighbourhood area designated in August 2015 for the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan.

A person is entitled to vote in the referendum if on 3 March 2022:

- he or she is registered and entitled to vote in local council elections;
- he or she is over 18 years old; and
- his or her qualifying address is in the referendum area (shown at figure 1).

The referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the referendum £2598.71. This figure has been calculated based on the electorate for the specified neighbourhood area as at 1 December 2021.

The referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

A copy of the specified documents, that is those listed below, may be inspected by appointment only and visiting our offices during normal opening hours at:

 South Cambridgeshire District Council, South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA

To make an appointment to inspect the specified documents email elections@scambs.gov.uk

The documents are also available for public viewing on South Cambridgeshire District Council's website: https://www.scambs.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-and-neighbourhood-plan/

The specified documents are:

- the 'Referendum' version of the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan, which includes a map of Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan area
- the Examiner's Report on the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan
- the written representations on the submission version of the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan, that were submitted to the independent examiner
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's decision statement on the receipt of the Examiner's Report and its decision to proceed to referendum, including a statement of satisfaction that the 'Referendum' version of the Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions and is legally compliant; and

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• a statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

Figure 1: Map of the Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan area and referendum area

