

Cabinet Member Decision Notice - Public

Part A – to be provisionally completed prior to the meeting and finalised after the meeting following agreement with the decision maker.

1. **Decision Maker:** Councillor Tim Myatt - Cabinet Member for Planning
2. **Date of the Decision:** Tuesday 27 July 2021
3. **Subject (title and description):** Roecliffe and Westwick Neighbourhood Plan: Regulation 18 Decision Statement
4. **Did the decision maker declare an interest?** No
5. **Lead Officer:** Planning Manager (Policy)
6. **Was all or any part of the report exempt?** No

If yes, is there an Exempt Decision Notice? N/A

7. **The Decision:**

1. The Council accepts the Independent Examiner's recommended modifications to the Neighbourhood Plan and does not propose any additional modifications.
2. Once modified in line with the Independent Examiner's recommendations, the Roecliffe and Westwick Neighbourhood Plan shall proceed to referendum covering the area of the designated Neighbourhood Area.
3. A Regulation 18 Decision Statement, stating this decision and reasons for it, is published together with the Examiner's Report and brought to the attention of those who live, work and do business in the area, and to those who responded to the Submission consultation.

8. **Reasons for the Decision:**

1. Following consideration of the documents submitted for examination and the Independent Examiner's report, the Council is satisfied that:
 - The Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions;
 - The Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared and submitted for examination by a Qualifying Body; that being Roecliffe and Westwick Parish Council;
 - The Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared for an area properly designated; and
 - The policies relate to the use of land and development for the designated neighbourhood area.

2. The Neighbourhood Plan should be taken to referendum to ensure that the Council meets its responsibilities in relation to Neighbourhood Planning as set out in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and The Neighbourhood Planning (General Regulations) 2012.
3. To draw the Council's decisions to the attention of those who live, work and do business in the Roecliffe and Westwick Neighbourhood Area and to those who submitted representations in response to the Submission consultation.

9. **Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:**

Not to publish a Regulation 18 Decision Statement. Following receipt of the Independent Examiner's report the local planning authority is required to decide whether it accepts the Examiner's report in full or in part e.g. regarding any proposed modifications and whether/when to hold a Referendum. Not to publish the Decision Statement would mean that the authority was failing in its duty to support the neighbourhood planning process, and in particular Roecliffe and Westwick Parish Council in their preparation of a neighbourhood plan.

10. **Is this a Key Decision:** No

If yes, please state Forward Plan reference number: N/A

Part B – Key Decisions Only – *to be completed by Democratic Services*

11. **Is the decision subject to call in:** No

12. **End of the Call-In Period:** N/A