



Neighbourhood Development Plan

Submission of the Plan

Our target date for submitting the Plan to the Borough Council was the end of January, and so by the time you read this update the Plan should have been submitted.

Now we have to wait while the Borough Council publicises the Plan for 6 weeks, after which it will be examined by the Independent Examiner. We are happy to announce that the Examiner who was the Parish Councils' preferred choice and who was invited by the Borough Council has agreed to do the examination.

In response to comments received from the Borough Council and from others who participated in the local consultation, the Plan has now been organised into 2 volumes. The first volume includes the Plan policies and the Local Green Space designations. The second volume contains the supporting evidence.

The submitted Plan, with the Basic Conditions Statement and the Consultation Statement, is now available on the website to read or download (www.cmaw-neighbourhoodplan.org.uk).

The Basic Conditions Statement explains how the Plan:

- has appropriate regard to national planning policy
- contributes to the achievement of sustainable development
- is in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan
- is compatible with EU obligations
- meets human rights requirements.

The Consultation Statement explains the steps that were taken to involve the local community in the Plan and how the local consultations were carried out and responded to.

The Examiner's task will be to determine whether the Plan does indeed meet the Basic Conditions and whether the consultation has been satisfactorily carried out. If the Examiner is satisfied that the requirements have been properly met, he will recommend that the Plan proceeds to Local Referendum.

News from Loggerheads: The referendum on the Loggerheads Neighbourhood Plan was held on 10 January. The Plan received a "Yes" vote of 91%. Well done Loggerheads! This is the first of 5 Neighbourhood Plans in the Newcastle rural area to be completed and it will now be used to decide planning applications in Loggerheads parish.

It's your neighbourhood – please support the Neighbourhood Plan!

Please turn out to vote in the Local Referendum

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