

Broads Authority

24 January 2025

Agenda item number 14

Making the Trowse Neighbourhood Plan

Report by Planning Policy Officer

Purpose

The Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan has been examined. The Examiner made some changes to the Plan. The Plan was subject to a referendum on 14 November 2024.

Recommended decision

It is recommended that Broads Authority adopts the Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The submitted Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan was approved by the Broads Authority's Planning Committee in January 2024. This was followed by a statutory publication period between 9 February and 22 March 2024, in which the Plan and its supporting documents were available to the public and consultation bodies online at [Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan | Broadland and South Norfolk](#).
- 1.2. During the publication period, representations were received from various organisations/individuals. The representations may be viewed via the following links: <https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/asset-library/imported-assets/tnp-reg-16-consultee-response-summaries.pdf>.
- 1.3. These representations were submitted, along with the Neighbourhood Plan and supporting information, to the independent Examiner, Mr Derek Stebbing. The examination was conducted via written representations during summer 2024 (the Examiner deciding that a public hearing would not be required).
- 1.4. Legislation directs that an Examiner considers whether:
 - a) the draft plan meets the [basic conditions of a Neighbourhood Development Plan](#);
 - b) the draft plan complies with the definition of a Neighbourhood Development Plan and the provisions that can be made by such a plan;
 - c) the area for referendum should extend beyond the neighbourhood area; and
 - d) the draft plan is compatible with the Convention rights.

2. The Examiner's Report

- 2.1. The [Examiner's Report on the Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan](#) concluded that, subject to amendments (as set out in the report), the Plan can proceed to referendum. The Examiner also concluded that the area of the referendum does not need to be extended beyond Trowse with Newton.

3. Referendum

- 3.1. The referendum for the [Trowse with Newton Neighbourhood Plan](#) was held on 14 November 2024. 94.08% voted in support of the Neighbourhood Plan.

4. Planning Committee

- 4.1. The views of Planning Committee will be relayed verbally to the Broads Authority meeting.

5. Next steps

- 5.1. If both the Broads Authority and South Norfolk Council make/adopt the Neighbourhood Plan, it becomes part of the Development Plan for the area. The policies have the same weight as Local Plan policies when making decisions.

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Appendix 1 – [Final Trowse Neighbourhood Plan](#)