

# Broads Authority

24 January 2025

Agenda item number 13

## Making the Chet Neighbourhood Plan

Report by Planning Policy Officer

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### Purpose

The Chet (Loddon and Chedgrave) 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 the Broads Authority adopts the Chet Neighbourhood Plan.

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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. The submitted Chet Neighbourhood Plan was approved by the Broads Authority's Planning Committee in December 2023. This was followed by a statutory publication period between 2 February and 15 March 2024, in which the Plan and its supporting documents were available to the public and consultation bodies online at [Loddon and Chedgrave Neighbourhood Plan | Broadland and South Norfolk](#).
- 1.2. During the publication period, representations were received from various different organisations/individuals. The representations may be viewed via the following links: <https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/asset-library/imported-assets/chet-np-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 the summer of 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 Chet 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 Loddon and Chedgrave.

## 3. Referendum

- 3.1. The referendum for the [Chet Neighbourhood Plan](#) was held on 14 November 2024. 85.74% of those who voted supported 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 Chet Neighbourhood Plan](#)