



Daventry District Council

Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Development Plan

Decision Statement

29 November 2019

1. Summary

- 1.1 Following a positive referendum result, Daventry District Council is publishing its decision to 'make' the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Development Plan as part of Daventry District's Development Plan in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

2. Background

- 2.1 Maidwell with Draughton Parish Council, as the qualifying body, applied for Maidwell and Draughton Parishes to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area on 25th May 2017. Following consultation on the application the District Council designated Maidwell and Draughton Parishes as a Neighbourhood Area on the 5th June 2017.
- 2.2 The draft Neighbourhood Development Plan was published by Maidwell with Draughton Parish Council for public consultation between 9th April and the 22nd May 2018.
- 2.3 Following submission of the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Development Plan to the District Council on 3rd December 2018 the plan was published for consultation between 10th December 2018 and 4th February 2019.
- 2.4 Following the submission consultation, Daventry District Council, with the agreement of the Parish Council, appointed an independent Examiner, Rosemary Kidd, Dip TP, MRTPI, to review whether the plan met the Basic Conditions required by the legislation and should proceed to a referendum.
- 2.5 Following the examination, the Examiner's report was completed in August 2019 and made available on the Council's website. The report concludes that subject to the making of the modifications recommended in her report the plan meets the Basic Conditions set out in legislation and should proceed to a referendum. At its meeting on 10th October 2019 Daventry District Council considered a report on the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Development Plan. Having considered that report, Council resolved:

- 1) That the significant progress in making the neighbourhood development plan (NDP) by the Maidwell with Draughton community be noted and welcomed.
- 2) That the Examiner's recommended modifications in respect of the Maidwell with Draughton NDP are accepted.
- 3) That the Examiner's recommendation that the NDP as modified in accordance with recommendation (2) should proceed to a referendum of voters within the Parishes of Maidwell and Draughton be accepted.
- 4) That subject to items (2) and (3) and any necessary factual alterations the proposed Decision Statement set out in Appendix 1 be approved.
- 5) That the costs of the referendum be met from the earmarked reserve for neighbourhood planning.

3. Decision and Reasons

3.1 With the Examiner's recommended modifications the Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions set out in paragraph (8) (2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, is compatible with EU obligations and the Convention Rights and complies with relevant provision made by or under Sections 38A and B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended.

3.2 A referendum into the Plan was held on 28th November 2019. Those voting were asked the following question:

'Do you want Daventry District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Maidwell with Draughton to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

3.3 The count took place on Friday 29th November 2019, the result of the referendum was as follows:

Response	Number of Votes	Percentage of Total
Yes	131	90.34%
No	14	9.66%
Turnout : 50.52%		
Number of Ballot Papers Rejected: 0		

3.4 The Regulations require that a majority of those voting vote in favour for the plan to be made. **This requirement is therefore satisfied.**

3.5 To be legally compliant, neighbourhood development plans must not contravene Convention rights or European Union obligations when made. Based on the Screening Report for Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulation Assessment (May 2018) and confirmed by the examiner in her report (August 2019)

and that nothing has come to light subsequently, there is no evidence to suggest any such contravention would occur. I am satisfied that this requirement is met and it is possible for the plan to now be made.

Upon the signing of this document by the Executive Director (Business), the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Plan is made and planning applications in the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Area must be considered against the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Plan, as well as existing planning policy.

I certify that the above statements are true.

Signed: 

Jane Parry, Senior Policy Officer (Planning)

Date: 29th November 2019

I certify that I am satisfied that the making the Maidwell with Draughton Neighbourhood Development Plan would not contravene Convention rights or European Union obligations.

Signed: 

Simon Bowers, Executive Director (Business)

Date: 29 Nov 2019