



## Broadland District Council

### Sprowston Neighbourhood Development Plan – Final Decision Statement

#### The decision:

Following a referendum on 20 March 2014, in which more than half of those who voted did so in favour of the Neighbourhood Development Plan, Broadland District Council has decided to 'make' the Sprowston Neighbourhood Development Plan part of the Local Plan for Broadland District. This decision was taken at the full Council meeting of 8 May 2014.

#### Reasons for the decision:

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Broadland District Council appointed an independent examiner to assess the submitted Sprowston Neighbourhood Development Plan, in December 2013.

The examiner conducted his examination based on written evidence and concluded that, subject to certain minor modifications, the Plan meets the basic conditions and that it should proceed to a referendum in Sprowston.

Broadland District Council considered the recommendations of the examiner on 14 January 2014 and agreed with his proposed modifications of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan proceeded to a referendum, which took place on 20 March 2014. The results of the referendum were as follows:

Question in referendum	Number of votes	
	YES	NO
Do you want Broadland District Council to use the <b>Neighbourhood Plan for Sprowston area</b> to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?	1675	221

If a referendum results in more than half of those voting doing so in favour of the proposal then the Council must make the Neighbourhood Development Plan as soon as reasonably practical, unless it considers that this would breach or be incompatible with any EU obligation or any of the Convention Rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998).

At their meeting of 8 May, the Council decided that the Neighbourhood Development Plan is not in breach of this legislation and that it should be made part of the Development Plan for the district.