

Olney Neighbourhood Plan Referendum 6th July 2017 Information Statement

A Referendum relating to the making of the Olney Neighbourhood Plan will be held on 6th July 2017.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is: 'Do you want Milton Keynes Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Olney to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

The Referendum area is identified on the map below. The Referendum area is the same as the area which has been designated as the Olney Neighbourhood Plan area which covers the whole of the Olney Town Council area. A map of the referendum area is attached to this Information Statement.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 6th July 2017:

- he or she is entitled to vote in an election of any Councillor of Milton Keynes Council whose area is in the Referendum area; and
- his or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area.

A person's qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors, the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be so registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2664.67. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 5,130.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected at:

- Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1, Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes. Open Monday to Friday between the hours 8.45am - 4.45pm. Please ask for the Planning Enquiries team.
- Olney Centre and Library, High Street, Olney.
 Open Tuesday 1pm 5:30pm, Wednesday to Thursday 10am 2:30pm, Friday 1pm 5:30pm, and Saturday 10am 1pm.
- Milton Keynes Central Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, Milton Keynes MK9 3HL.
 Open Monday to Wednesday and Friday 9am-6pm, Thursday 9am-8pm, Saturday 9am -5pm, Sunday 11am-2pm.

In addition, the specified documents are:

- The draft Olney Neighbourhood Plan, Referendum Version;
- The report of the independent examiner into the Neighbourhood Plan;
- A summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- A statement of the Local Planning Authority's satisfaction that the draft Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions specified by statute and complies with the provision made by or under Section 38A and 38B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004;
- A statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

Referendum area for the Olney Neighbourhood Plan

