

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING OFFICER DECISION

DECISION REQUIRED *(please tick one box)*

Designate a Neighbourhood Forum	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree comments on a pre-submission plan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Designate a Neighbourhood Area	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree comments on a submitted plan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whether to accept and publicise a Submitted Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree the appointment of an Examiner	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whether to decline or accept a repeat proposal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree actions to take following an Examiner's report	X
Whether to modify a Plan or Order	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

LOCATION/ PARISH

Walton

DATE RECEIVED

19th September 2016

DEADLINE FOR DECISION *(where Regs require this)*

n/a

LEAD OFFICER

Diane Webber

ISSUES/COMMENTS *(including details of any consultations undertaken and any comments received)*

The Walton neighbourhood plan has been independently examined by Mr Andrew Ashcroft, whose report was received on 19th September 2016.

The findings of the report are that the plan can proceed to referendum subject to modifications. These modifications are mostly relatively minor amendments to the policies in the neighbourhood plan in order to ensure that the plan meets the Basic Conditions.

Milton Keynes Council is proposing two minor modifications to the Plan which do not follow the Examiner's recommendations. These have, in fact, been put forward by the Community Council and are to:

- Policy WNP 4 (Bergamot Gardens) - the modification corrects a mistake made in the original plan, by replacing the undefined term 'positive frontage' with the more accepted term 'active frontages'. Active frontages are already defined in the Plan's glossary.
- Policy WNP 12 (Grid Road Corridors) – the modification updates the plan to reflect the current planning position following a recent appeal decision at Church Farm.

The full decision statement is available at:

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Delegated approval is therefore sought to accept these changes and duly arrange the referendum. The examiner concluded that the referendum area be the same as the plan area, which is contiguous with the Walton parish area. Liaison with electoral services officers has already identified 17th November as a possible date for the

referendum.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Walton Neighbourhood Plan, submission version: L:\Development_Plans\Localism Act\Neighbourhood Plans from non frontrunners\Walton CC\Submission and examination\Walton neighbourhood plan submssion version.pdf

Examiner's report: \\Mkc\dfs01\Shared\Planning\Development_Plans\Localism Act\Neighbourhood Plans from non frontrunners\Walton CC\Examiner's report\Walton Neighbourhood Plan - Examiner's report.pdf

Schedule of changes: \\Mkc\dfs01\Shared\Planning\Development_Plans\Localism Act\Neighbourhood Plans from non frontrunners\Walton CC\Examiner's report\Modifications following examiner's report.docx

DECISION SOUGHT: to agree the modifications to the Walton Neighbourhood Plan and proceed to a referendum

AGREED

SIGNED:



Duncan Sharkey, Director of Place

DATE: 04.10.16