

## **Holbeck Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Decision Statement published pursuant to Section 38A (9) and (10) Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and Regulations 19 and 20 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

## 1. Summary

Following a positive referendum result on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018, Leeds City Council is publicising its decision made by the Chief Planning Officer to 'make' the Holbeck Neighbourhood Development Plan part of the Leeds Development Plan in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

## 2. Decision & Reasoning

Leeds City Council appointed an independent Examiner; Mr Tony Burton CBE BA MPhil (Town Planning) HonFRIBA FRSA, to review whether the plan met the basic conditions required by legislation and whether the plan should proceed to referendum.

The Examiner's Report concluded that the plan meets the Basic Conditions, and that subject to the modifications proposed in his report, detailed by the Holbeck Neighbourhood Plan Decision Statement (dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017), the plan should proceed to a Referendum. The Examiner's proposed modifications were made to the draft Plan in advance of the Referendum.

A referendum was held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and 79.64% of those who voted were in favour of the Plan. Paragraph 38A (4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) requires that the Council must make the Neighbourhood Plan if more than half of those voting have voted in favour of the Plan. Leeds City Council is not subject to this duty if the making of the Plan would breach, or would otherwise be incompatible with, any EU obligation or any of the Convention rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998).

The referendum held on 1<sup>st</sup> March met the requirements of the Localism Act 2011; it was held in the Holbeck Neighbourhood Area and posed the question:

'Do you want Leeds City Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Holbeck to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

The count took place on 1st March 2018 and greater than 50% of those who voted were in favour of the Plan being used to help decide planning applications in the Neighbourhood Area. The results of the referendum were:

Response	Votes
Yes	266 (79.64%)
No	68 (20.36%)
Turnout	13.9%

## 3. Inspection of Decision Statement

This decision statement can be viewed on the Leeds City Council website and the Holbeck Neighbourhood Forum website:

http://www.leeds.gov.uk/council/Pages/Neighbourhood-planning.aspx

http://www.holbeckneighbourhoodplan.org.uk/

Paper copies can also be viewed at:

- Leeds City Council, Merrion House, 110 Merrion Centre, Leeds, LS2 8BB (Mon Thurs 8.30am 5pm, Fri 9.30am 5pm, Sat 9am 12.15pm)
- Dewsbury Road Library, 190 Dewsbury Road, Leeds, LS11 6PF (Mon, Tues 8.30 16.00, Weds 8.30 15.00, Thurs, Fri 8.30 17.00)
- St Matthews Community Centre, St Matthews St, Leeds, LS11 9NR (during opening hours)
- The Holbeck WMC, Jenkinson Lawn, Holbeck, Leeds, LS11 9QX (during opening hours)

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