

Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan

Regulation 19 Decision Statement

Northumberland County Council has resolved to 'make' the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan. The Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan has been brought into legal force. It now forms part of the statutory Development Plan for the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Area which comprises the whole of the civil parishes of Alnwick, Denwick and Denwick Detached. Decisions on planning applications must now be made in accordance with policies in the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to Northumberland County Council on 04 September 2015. Publicity was undertaken in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. A report following Independent Examination of the Plan was published on 18 December 2015. This report found that with some modifications, the Plan passed the necessary legal tests and it could be put to local referendum. The County Council proposed additional modifications to a number of policies to secure that they meet the prescribed tests and accordingly may be retained in the Plan to be put to referendum. The Plan was then subject to a period of further publicity, during which representations were invited on the further modifications made to the Plan. A local referendum was held in the Parishes of Alnwick, Denwick and Denwick Detached on 15 June 2017. A majority of those voting were in favour of the Plan being used by the County Council in making decisions on planning applications.

The submission version of the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan, as modified following Independent Examination, and including subsequent post-examination modifications, complies with legal requirements governing the making of neighbourhood development plans introduced through the Localism Act 2011 and associated Regulations. Accordingly, I hereby confirm that the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan has been made by resolution of the County Council's Cabinet on Thursday 27 July 2017. Decisions on planning applications in the Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Area must now be made in accordance with policies in the Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Alnwick and Denwick Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed on the County Council's website: www.northumberland.gov.uk/ourplan

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Daljit Lally

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Dated: 27 July 2017