



Northumberland

County Council

Craster Neighbourhood Plan

Northumberland County Council: Regulation 18 Decision Statement

Northumberland County Council has considered the Report of the Independent Examination into the Submission Draft Craster Neighbourhood Plan dated 30 October 2020. As required under paragraph 12 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, the County Council considered each of the recommendations made by the Examiner and has made a decision on whether to accept or reject the recommendations. The independent examiner concluded that it would be necessary to make very minor modifications to the Plan, for clarity, namely, to show the date of the Plan on the front cover, and to revise the (single) policy and supporting text to make it clear that the policy applies throughout the Parish.

The County Council accepts these proposed modifications for the reasons given in the examination report with the exception of one minor wording change. This concerns a recommendation by the Examiner to include the words 'Throughout the parish of Craster' in the policy. The County Council consider that the policy as worded, and the supporting text as amended, is sufficiently clear in this respect and for this reason, it is proposed that this recommendation is not accepted.

The County Council considers that the Plan, as modified, meets the basic conditions as set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and that the Plan complies with provisions made by or under sections 38A and 38B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

Accordingly, the Plan may proceed to referendum. The County Council is satisfied that the referendum area shall be the Craster Neighbourhood Area which comprises the civil parish of Craster.

A referendum will be held as soon as reasonably practicable following the publication of this decision statement.

Signatures:

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