

Appendix 1: Decision Statement for Referendum



Ponteland Neighbourhood Plan

**Northumberland County Council: Regulation 18
Decision Statement**

Northumberland County Council has considered the Report of the Independent Examination into the Submission Draft Ponteland Neighbourhood Plan published on 30 June 2017. 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 modify 20 of the 32 policies contained within the Submission Draft Plan. The County Council accepts these modifications.

The County Council considers that the Plan 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 Ponteland Neighbourhood Area which comprises the civil parish of Ponteland.

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

Signatures

Mark Ketley

Head of Planning Services

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Date: 04 August 2017

Councillor John Riddle

Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing and Resilience

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Date: 04 August 2017