

# Cherwell DISTRICT COUNCIL NORTH OXFORDSHIRE

## **Officer Delegated Decision**

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Decision: Making of the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan

Decision taker: Corporate Director Communities

Decision Date: 15 May 2024

**Source of Delegation:** Urgent Officer decision taken in accordance with the Constitution

Is decision subject to Call-in? No

Deadline for Call-in: N/A

Is decision Exempt? No

Is decision urgent? Yes

## Summary

To seek the urgent decision of the Corporate Director – Communities to recommend to Council that it 'makes' the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan following the successful referendum on 2 May 2024.

## Decision

#### Resolved

- (1) That the referendum result of 2 May 2024 where 93% of those who voted were in favour of the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan, which is above the required 50% be noted.
- (2) That Council be recommended:
  - a) to formally 'makes' the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan (Annex to the decision) so that it continues to have effect as part of the statutory Development Plan for Cherwell District.
  - b) to authorise the Assistant Director Planning and Development, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Planning and Development to issue and publicise a Decision Statement.

## **Reasons for Decision**

A referendum was held on the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan on 2 May 2024. Of those eligible to vote, 791 voted in favour of the Plan with 58 against. The vote of 93% in favour meets the requisite majority and the Plan is now part of the statutory Development Plan. The Council is still required to formally 'make' the Plan and there is no known breach or incompatibility with EU or human rights obligations which prevents this. The Council is therefore requested to 'make' the Deddington Neighbourhood Plan which would be within the prescribed eight-week period.

## **Alternative Options Considered**

A formal decision is required to be made. There is no known breach or incompatibility with, any EU or human rights obligations. The Council has no options or alternatives to making the Plan.

## Conflicts of Interest Declared and Dispensations Granted by Head of Paid Service

None

### Attachments

Deddington Neighbourhood Plan

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