

West Lindsey District Council
Referendum - Regulation 18 - Decision Statement
Spridlington Neighbourhood Plan

1.1 Under Regulation 18 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, West Lindsey District Council has produced this 'Decision Statement' in relation to the Spridlington Neighbourhood Plan submitted to them by Spridlington Parish Council.

1.2 Following an independent examination of written representations, West Lindsey District Council now confirms that the Neighbourhood Plan will proceed to a neighbourhood planning referendum.

1.3 In accordance with the examiner's recommendation, the Neighbourhood Plan will proceed to a public referendum scheduled for Thursday 31 October 2019, based on the Spridlington Neighbourhood Area as approved by West Lindsey District Council on 20 December 2016.

1.4 Documents relevant to the neighbourhood plan and referendum can be viewed on the District Council's webpages below including these documents-

- Referendum - Regulation 18 - Decision Statement
- Referendum - Information Statement and Specified Documents
- Notice of Referendum
- Timetable
- Examiner's Report

<https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/my-services/planning-and-building/neighbourhood-planning/all-neighbourhood-plans-in-west-lindsey/spridlington-neighbourhood-plan/>

<https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/my-council/electoral-registration-and-elections/by-elections-and-neighbourhood-planning-referendums/>

Background

2.1 On the 15 November 2016, Spridlington Parish Council submitted a request to West Lindsey District Council for the designation of the Parish of Spridlington as a Neighbourhood Area. The approval of the Neighbourhood Area Designation, for the Spridlington Neighbourhood Plan, was made on the 20 December 2016.

2.2 The Parish Council carried out consultation on the Draft pre-Submission Neighbourhood Plan for Spridlington in July/August 2018. Consultation on the Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan was undertaken in January/February 2019.

2.4 An independent examiner was appointed to undertake the examination of the Submission version of the Spridlington Neighbourhood Plan and the examiner's report was completed on 28 August 2019 and made available to the Parish Council and District Council.

2.5 West Lindsey District Council officers, under delegated powers, have determined that the recommended modifications to the Spridlington

Neighbourhood Plan meet the 'basic conditions' as set out in section 38A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. West Lindsey District Council agreed with Spridlington Parish Council that all of the recommended modifications made by the independent examiner be included and revised in the original Neighbourhood Plan in order for it to proceed to public referendum.

2.6 Therefore, to meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, a referendum which poses the following question, will be held on the 31 October 2019.

"Do you want West Lindsey District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Spridlington to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

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