

Record of decision taken under delegated authority by a Council officer



Title:	Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Plan Adoption
Wards Affected:	Wandle Valley, Wallington North and the Wrythe
Decision taken under delegated authority by virtue of:	Housing, Economy and Business Committee (25 September 2018) - 'Council's Opinion: The Inspector's Report on Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Plan'

Summary

A neighbourhood plan is a community-prepared policy document for guiding future development of an area. It must be prepared by a designated neighbourhood forum and is subject to public consultation, independent examination and referendum. Once adopted, a neighbourhood plan becomes part of the statutory development plan for an area and is used in determining planning applications.

A referendum relating to the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Plan was held on 29 November 2018. The referendum was held to decide the following question:

"Do you want the London Borough of Sutton to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Hackbridge & Beddington Corner to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?" The results were as follows:

- The number of votes cast in favour of **YES** was 626 (89.4%)
- The number of votes cast in favour of **NO** was 74 (10.6%)
- Total number of votes cast 700 – 0 rejects
- The turnout was 14.81%.

The council now has a legal requirement to 'make' (or 'adopt') the Hackbridge and Beddington Neighbourhood Plan within 8 weeks of the referendum decision in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012) (as amended). However, it should be noted that the neighbourhood plan carries full weight in planning decisions as soon as it is approved at a referendum (i.e. 29 November 2018).

Decision

That:


1. The council makes the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Plan for the purposes of determining planning applications in the neighbourhood area.

Reasons for Decision:

As the majority of those who voted in the referendum are in favour of neighbourhood plan, the council has a legal requirement to 'make' the neighbourhood plan within 8 weeks of the referendum date.

Options, if any, considered and rejected

The neighbourhood plan was subject to a referendum on the 29 November 2018. Those eligible voted in favour of adopting the neighbourhood plan.

Decision taken by:	
Decision taken on:	31 January 2019
To be implemented on:	31 January 2019

Declarations of conflicts of interest

None

Background Documents

Exempt:

Declaration of Results of the Hackbridge and Beddington Corner Neighbourhood Plan Referendum	No
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