

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD (Non Key)

The following decision was taken on 25 June 2021 by the Head of Planning.

Date notified to all members: 28th June 2021

Officer Non-Key decisions are not subject to call-in.

1. **TITLE**

Neighbourhood Planning: Dore Neighbourhood Plan Examiner's Report and Next Steps

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

The Head of Planning **RESOLVES** that:

- 1) a formal decision statement is published detailing the Council's response to the Examiner's recommendations within his report (Appendix 2).
- 2) following the inclusion of the Examiner's recommended modifications into the Plan (as set out in the table at Appendix 1 of the report), it is approved that the Plan meets the Basic conditions such that it can proceed to a referendum;
- 3) the referendum boundary is approved and will cover the designated Dore Neighbourhood Area only; and
- 4) the Council's Electoral Services Manager be instructed to conduct a referendum on the Plan.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

Officers agree with the Examiner's assessment of the Plan (as modified) and its alignment with the statutory requirements. As a result, if the decision maker agrees, the Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to hold a referendum. Failure to take the Plan forward to referendum would therefore be a failure of the Council's statutory duties as set out above.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

The only alternative option would be not to proceed to referendum. The Examiner has found that, subject to modification, the Plan meets the relevant legal, procedural, and planning tests and officers agree. Therefore, there is no reason a referendum should not be held unless it is considered by the decision maker that the basic conditions have not been met.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

1. Dore Neighbourhood Plan Examiner Report January 2021

2. Map of Dore Neighbourhood Area boundary October 2014
3. Dore Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Statement November 2019
4. Dore Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16 – Summary of Representations
5. Dore Neighbourhood Plan V6 – submission version

6.1 **Any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Officer when making the decision**

None

6.2 **Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service**

None

7. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Head of Planning