

Broads Authority

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Filby, Rollesby and Winterton Neighbourhood Plans - adoption

Report by Planning Policy Officer

Summary

The Filby, Rollesby and Winterton Neighbourhood Plans (three separate neighbourhood plans) have been examined. The Examiner made some changes to the Plans. The Plans were each subject to referenda on 24 February and more than 50% voted in favour of each of the Plans.

Recommendation

To make/adopt the Filby, Rollesby and Winterton Neighbourhood Plans.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The submission of Filby and Rollesby Neighbourhood Plans was approved by the Broads Authority's Planning Committee in January 2021, and the submission of the Winterton-on-Sea Neighbourhood Plan was approved in March 2021. This was followed by a statutory consultation period (10 weeks from Friday 2 April to Friday 11 June 2021, for Filby and Rollesby Neighbourhood Plans; and 8 weeks from Friday 21 May to Friday 16 July 2021 for Winterton-on-Sea Neighbourhood Plan). During this period, the Plans and their supporting documents were available to the public and consultation bodies online at Great Yarmouth Borough Council neighbourhood planning.
- 1.2. During the publication period, representations were received from numerous different organisations/individuals. The representations may be viewed via the following links:
 - <u>https://www.great-yarmouth.gov.uk/media/6498/FILS1---Representations-on-the-</u> <u>Filby-Neighbourhood-Plan/pdf/FILS1 - Representations at Regulation 16.pdf</u>
 - <u>https://www.great-yarmouth.gov.uk/media/6499/ROLS1---Representations-on-the-Rollesby-Neighbourhood-Plan/pdf/ROLS1 Representations at Regulation 16.pdf</u>
 - <u>https://www.great-yarmouth.gov.uk/media/6500/WINS1---Representations-on-the-Winterton-on-sea-Neighbourhood-Plan/pdf/WINS1 -</u>
 <u>Representations at Regulation 16.pdf</u>

- 1.3. These representations were submitted, along with the relevant Neighbourhood Plans and supporting information, to the independent Examiner, Ann Skippers. The examinations were conducted via written representations during October/November 2021. The Examiner decided that public hearings would not be required.
- 1.4. Legislation directs that an Examiner considers whether:
 - a) the draft plan meets the <u>basic conditions of a Neighbourhood Development</u> <u>Plan</u>;
 - b) the draft plan complies with the definition of a Neighbourhood Development Plan and the provisions that can be made by such a plan;
 - c) the area for referendum should extend beyond the neighbourhood area; and
 - d) the draft plan is compatible with the Convention rights.

2. The Examiner's Reports

- 2.1. All three reports concluded that, subject to amendments (as set out in the report), the Plan under examination can proceed to referendum. The Examiner also concluded that the area of the referendum does not need to be extended beyond the three Neighbourhood Areas. The changes proposed by the Examiner seem reasonable and are useful. The three reports are here:
 - Filby Neighbourhood Plan Examiner's Report
 - <u>Rollesby Neighbourhood Plan Examiner's Report</u>
 - <u>Winterton Neighbourhood Plan Examiner's Report</u>

3. Referendum

3.1. The referenda for the three Neighbourhood Plans were held on 24 February. For all three Neighbourhood Plans, more than 50% voted in favour of each of the Plans. It is therefore recommended that the three Neighbourhood Plans for Filby, Rollesby and Winterton be made/adopted by the Broads Authority.

4. Next steps

4.1. If both the Broads Authority and Great Yarmouth Borough Council make/adopt the three Neighbourhood Plans, they become part of the Development Plan for the area. The polices have the same weight as Local Plan policies when making decisions.

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