

Planning Committee

13 September 2019

Agenda item number 13

Safety by the Water guide (draft)

Report by Planning Policy Officer

Summary

A Safety by the Water Guide is being produced to help implement the Broads Local Plan.

Recommendation

To endorse the draft Safety by the Water Guide and recommend that the Broads Authority approves the draft guide and permits public consultation.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Now the Broads Local Plan is adopted, it is considered that some requirements or policies will benefit from guides or supplementary planning documents to help with their interpretation and implementation.
- 1.2. The draft guide in Appendix 1 is about safety by the water. It has been produced by the Planning Policy Officer with input from the Head of Safety Management, Head of Ranger Services, Development Management Officer and Rivers Engineer.
- 1.3. Policy DM46 of the Local Plan addresses the importance of considering water safety management for schemes that result in more people being by the water, or that make it more difficult for people to get out of the water.

2. Consultation

- 2.1. The guide will be discussed at the September Navigation Committee and comments will be reported verbally to Planning Committee. If Planning Committee endorse the Guide for consultation, the Guide will then go to Broads Authority who will be asked to endorse the guide for public consultation. If approved, consultation dates are likely to be 27 September to 22 November. We will inform stakeholders on our contact database and publish the consultation on our website.

3. Next steps

- 3.1. We will log and respond to all representations received and record any changes to the draft guide. The final guide, along with consultation responses, will be brought back

to Navigation Committee and Planning Committee before being taken to the Broads Authority for adoption.

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Appendix 1 – [Safety by the water guide](#)