



Halesworth Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

Town and Country Planning, England | Town and Country Planning (Referendums) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Referendum Date: Thursday 2nd February 2023

A Neighbourhood Planning Referendum will be held for the Halesworth Neighbourhood Plan on **Thursday 2nd February 2023**. The question asked in the referendum will be:

Do you want East Suffolk Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Halesworth to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood plan area?

The Referendum Area

The referendum area is the same as the area covered by the neighbourhood plan as shown below. The neighbourhood area was designated by (former) Waveney District Council on 31st May 2018:



A person is entitled to vote in the referendum if, on Thursday 2nd February 2023:

- He or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the referendum area; and,
- His or her qualifying address for the election is in the referendum area.

The referendum expenses limit for this referendum is £2,607.60. This limit has been calculated based on the number of people entitled to vote in the referendum being 4,044.

The referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures similar to those used at local Government Elections.

The Specified Documents, which are required to be made available through the referendum period, are:

- The draft Halesworth Neighbourhood Plan 2021-2036 (Referendum Version, February 2023)
- Examiners Report November 2022
- Comments Summary: A summary of representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- East Suffolk Council Decision Statement: A statement by East Suffolk Council that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and Convention rights;
- Information for Voters which is a statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum; and,
- Information Statement: A statement containing basic information about the referendum

These documents can be viewed online at:

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-plans-in-the-area/halesworth-neighbourhood-area/>

The Specified Documents are also available to view at:

Halesworth Library
Bridge Street
Halesworth
IP19 8AD

Or:

East Suffolk Customer Service Centre
Marina Centre
Marina
Lowestoft
NR32 1HH (during opening hours)

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