

## **Otley Neighbourhood Plan Referendum**

## **Information Statement**

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

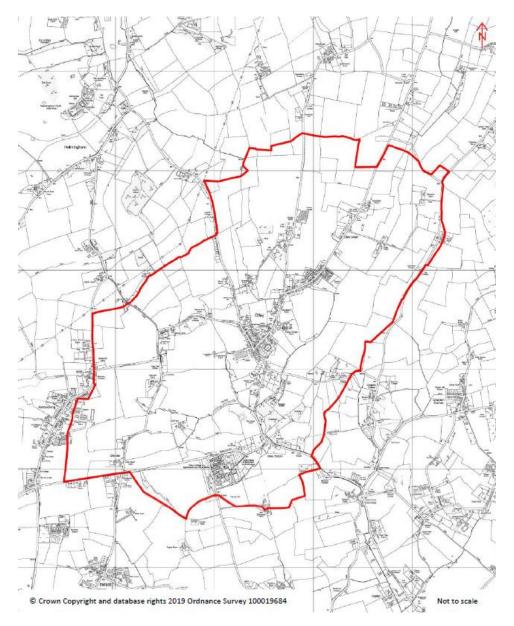
## Referendum Date: Thursday 18th September 2025

A Neighbourhood Planning Referendum will be held for the Otley Neighbourhood Plan on **Thursday 18**<sup>th</sup> **September 2025**. The question asked in the referendum will be:

Do you want East Suffolk Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Otley to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood 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 East Suffolk Council on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019:



A person is entitled to vote in the referendum if, on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025:

- 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 that will apply in relation to this referendum is £2,398.29. The number of persons on the relevant register (1st February 2025) used to calculate this limit is 615.

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:

- Otley Neighbourhood Plan (Referendum Version);
- 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 (this document): A statement containing basic information about the referendum
- Examiner's Report: Sets out the findings of the independent examination of the neighbourhood plan.

These documents can be viewed online at:

https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-plans-in-the-area/otley-neighbourhood-area/

The Specified Documents are also available to view at:

Wickham Market Library Resource Centre Chapel Lane Wickham Market IP13 OSD

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East Suffolk Council Customer Service Centre Woodbridge Library New Street Woodbridge IP12 1TD

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