

## Shadingfield, Sotterley, Willingham and Ellough Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

## **Information Statement**

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

## Referendum Date: Thursday 4th May 2023

A Neighbourhood Planning Referendum will be held for the Shadingfield, Sotterley, Willingham and Ellough Neighbourhood Plan on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023**. The question asked in the referendum will be:

Do you want East Suffolk Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Shadingfield, Sotterley, Willingham and Ellough 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 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017:



A person is entitled to vote in the referendum if, on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 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 that will apply in relation to this referendum is £2,390.42. The number of persons on the relevant register (1 December 2022) used to calculate this limit is 363.

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 Shadingfield, Sotterley, Willingham and Ellough Neighbourhood Plan 2022-2036 (Referendum Version)
- 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/assets/Planning/Neighbourhood-Planning/Designated-Neighbourhood-Areas/Shadingfield-Sotterley-Willingham-and-Ellough/Decision-notice.pdf

The Specified Documents are also available to view at: Beccles Library Blyburgate Beccles NR34 9TB

Or:

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

Should you have any difficulties in accessing copies of the document you can contact us on 01394 444557 or email <u>planningpolicy@eastsuffolk.gov.uk</u> and we will aim to assist you.