

**Horsham District Council Local Planning Authority**  
**Wineham and Shermanbury Neighbourhood Development Plan to 2031**  
**The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)**  
**Regulation 19 and 20: Decision on a Plan Proposal and Publicising a**  
**Neighbourhood Development Plan**

**1.0 Introduction**

1.1 Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), Horsham District Council has a statutory duty to support Parish Councils and Qualifying Bodies in the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP's) and Orders and to take Neighbourhood Plans and Orders through a process of examination and referendum. The Localism Act 2011 (Part 6 chapter 3) sets out the Council's responsibilities under Neighbourhood Planning.

**2.0 Background**

2.1 The Neighbourhood Plan Area for Shermanbury covers the whole of the Parish of Shermanbury. The Parish was designated as a Neighbourhood Plan Area on the on the 25 February 2014.

2.2 The Pre-Submission Wineham and Shermanbury Neighbourhood Plan (WASP) underwent consultation under Regulation 14 from 7 December 2015 to 25 January 2015. Shermanbury Parish Council then submitted the draft WASP to the Council. In accordance with Regulation 16 the submission version of the Shermanbury Parish Neighbourhood Plan to 2031 was publicised between 11 March 2016 and 22 April 2016 and representations invited. The WASP went out to consultation again 21 October 2016 to 2 December 2016.

2.3 John Mattocks was appointed by the Council with the consent of Shermanbury Parish Council, to undertake the examination of the draft WASP and to prepare a report of the independent examination. The Examiner's Report was formally completed and sent to Horsham District Council on the 9 January 2017.

- 2.4 On 20 March 2017, Horsham District Council resolved that, the WASP Submission Plan (incorporating the Examiner's modifications as set out in the Horsham District Council Decision Statement) should proceed to Referendum. The Decision Statement, which includes all the agreed modifications was published on the Horsham District website and was sent out to the qualifying body and any persons who asked to be notified of the decision on the 20 March 2017.
- 2.5 On 4 May 2017, the WASP successfully passed referendum with 52% turnout with 72% of the votes cast agreeing that the Wineham and Shermanbury Neighbourhood Plan to 2031 be used by Horsham District Council for the determination of planning applications in the Parish of Shermanbury
- 2.6 On 21 June 2017, Horsham District Council resolved that that WASP, incorporating the Examiners modifications and all modifications as per the HDC Decision Statement) should be 'made' and become part of the Development Plan for Horsham District Council for the Parish of Shermanbury.

### **3.0 Conclusion**

- 3.1 It is therefore confirmed, that the Wineham and Shermanbury Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan to 2031, (incorporating Examiner's modifications as set out in the Horsham District Council Decision Statement), complies with the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in the Localism Act 2011. As a result, of the Council resolution of 21 June 2017, the plan has been 'made' with effect from the 22 June 2017.
- 3.2 In accordance with Regulation 20 of the 2012 Neighbourhood Plan Regulations, the Wineham and Shermanbury Neighbourhood Plan is available to view on the Council's website and the Parish Council's website. In addition, hard copies are available upon request to view at Horsham District Council Offices, Parkside, Chart Way, North Street, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 1RL. Horsham Council has also notified all persons who requested to be notified of the making of the plan and where it can be inspected.