

Referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan for Somerford Keynes & Shorncote Neighbourhood Area

Information Statement

A Neighbourhood Planning Referendum will be held on Thursday 6 May 2021 and a Notice of Referendum has been published.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:

Do you want Cotswold District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Somerford Keynes & Shorncote to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?

A map of the referendum area is included at the end of this document and can be found on our website at: www.cotswold.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning/

A person is entitled to vote in the referendum if they are registered to vote in local council elections in Somerford Keynes parish, and are 18 years of age or over on the day of the poll, i.e. on Thursday 6 May 2021.

The referendum expenses limit which will apply in relation to the referendum is £2,387.19. This has been calculated by adding 5.9p for each of the 427 local government electors for the referendum area, at the date of publication of the notice of referendum, to the base amount of £2,362.

The referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures similar to those used at local government (council) elections.

The specified documents, as listed below, can be viewed on the Council's website at

https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/somerford-keynes-and-shorncote-neighbourhood-plan/

Printed documents can be available if requested. Please contact us if you would like a copy.

The specified documents are as follows:

- The draft neighbourhood plan
- The report made by the independent examiner
- A summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner
- A statement that Cotswold District Council, as local planning authority, are satisfied that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with relevant legislation
- A statement setting out general information about town and country planning (including neighbourhood planning) and the referendum.

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