

Spixworth Neighbourhood Plan – Final Decision Statement

The decision:

Following a referendum on 6th July 2021, in which more than half of those who voted did so in favour of the Neighbourhood, Broadland District Council has decided to ‘make’ the Spixworth Neighbourhood Plan part of the Development Plan for the District. This decision was taken by the Broadland District Council on 22nd July 2021.

Reasons for the decision:

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Broadland District Council appointed an independent examiner in April 2020 to assess the submitted Spixworth Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The examiner conducted his examination based on written evidence and concluded that, subject to certain modifications, the Plan meets the basic conditions and that it should proceed to a referendum in Spixworth.

Broadland District Council considered the recommendations of the examiner and agreed with his proposed modifications to the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan proceeded to a referendum, which took place on 6th July 2021. The result of the referendum was as follows:

Question in referendum	YES	NO
Do you want Broadland District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Spixworth area to help them decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?	873	98

If a referendum results in more than half of those voting doing so in favour of the proposal then the local planning authorities must make the Neighbourhood Development Plan as soon as reasonably practical, unless it considers that this would breach or be incompatible with any EU obligation or any of the Convention Rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998).

Spixworth Neighbourhood Plan now forms part of the statutory development plan for Broadland district.