

11 APRIL 2024



**MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL
OFFICER DECISIONS NOTICE**

**OFFICER DECISIONS MADE UNDER THE SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS BY
THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE – MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

THIS IS NOT A KEY DECISION

The following decision has been taken by Officer Delegation and will come into effect on 11 April 2024.

Officer Delegated Decision made on 11 April 2024

Decision: To 'make' (adopt) the Hoxne Neighbourhood Plan 2022 - 2037 as part of the District Council's Development Plan.

Key Decision: No

Subject to Call In: No

Reason for Decision: To enable Mid Suffolk District Council to meet its statutory obligation under Reg.18A(1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 by 'making' (adopting) the Hoxne Neighbourhood Plan within the prescribed time period.

Background:

The Hoxne Neighbourhood Plan (the 'Plan') has been prepared in accordance with relevant regulations. At a local referendum held on 4 April 2024, more than half of those who voted did so in favour of the Plan. In such cases, the Plan must be 'made' (adopted) by the Local Planning Authority within a prescribed eight-week time period.

The District Council is only able to exercise further discretion at this point if it considers that this Plan would be in breach of any EU obligations or any of the Convention Rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act, 1998). The Council is satisfied that this Plan is not in breach of these obligations. The Council is also satisfied the Hoxne Neighbourhood Plan, as modified by the Examiner's recommendations, complies with the basic conditions as set out in Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990.

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The 'making' (adoption) of the Hoxne Neighbourhood Plan also enables the Parish Council to now receive 25% of any Community Infrastructure Levy receipts arising from newly granted development proposals arising in the designated plan area.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: None

Any Declarations of Interest Declared: Not applicable

Any Dispensation Granted: Not applicable