

CORBY GLEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: POST EXAMINATION DECISION NOTICE

Regulation 18 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Introduction

This document is the decision statement required to be prepared under Regulation 18(2) of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (as amended). It sets out the Council's response to each of the recommendations in the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan Independent Examiners Report, which was presented to the Council on the 17 October 2023

This decision statement, the Independent Examiner's Report, the submission version of the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents can be viewed on the Council's website at the following

Link - Corby Glen | South Kesteven District Council

Background

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) places a statutory duty on South Kesteven District Council to assist communities in the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans and to take Neighbourhood Plans through a process of examination and referendum. The Localism Act 2011 sets out the Local Planning Authority's responsibilities under neighbourhood planning.

The Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan relates to the 'Corby Glen Neighbourhood Area' which was designated on the 24 January 2018. The 'Corby Glen Neighbourhood Area' also covers the same area as the Corby Glen Parish Area.

Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (on behalf of Corby Glen Parish Council as the 'Qualifying Body') undertook a draft consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan from 7 February 2022 until 21 March 2022 in collaboration with local people and businesses as well as in interested parties and stakeholders.

The Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to South Kesteven District Council on the 9 January 2023. In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) the submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan was made available for comment. This statutory consultation took place from 26 April 2023 and the 12 June 2023.





Independent Examination

An Independent Examiner was appointed to carry out the examination of the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan. The Independent Examiner examined the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan by written representations, and undertook an unaccompanied site visit of the Neighbourhood Plan Area

The Independent Examiner's Report was issued on the 16 October 2023. The report concluded that, subject to a series of modifications, the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions and other statutory requirements outlined in regulations. The Independent Examiner's Report also recommended that, subject to the modifications proposed in the report, the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan can proceed to referendum.

Once the Council receive the Examiner's report, they must consider each of the recommendations and the reasons for them and decide what action to take. The Council must also consider whether the area to which the referendum is to take place should be extended.

Decision and Reasons

The Council has considered each of the recommendations made in the Independent Examiner's report and the reasons for them. The Council, in collaboration with Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (on behalf of Corby Glen Parish Council) has decided to accept all of the recommended modifications to the submission version of the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan. The modifications are set out in **table 1 below**.

The Council considers that, subject to the modifications set out in table 1 being made, the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions set out in paragraph 8 (2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and is compatible with the Convention Rights and meets the requirements of paragraph 8 (1) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act (as amended).

The Independent Examiner concluded that there is no need for the referendum boundary to extend beyond the designated neighbourhood area. The Council has considered this recommendation and the reasons for it and decided to accept it. The referendum area for the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan will therefore be the 'Corby Glen Neighbourhood Area' (i.e. The Parish Area)

This decision was made on the **17 November** on delegated authority by the Assistant Director of Planning who is authorised to make decisions in respect of Neighbourhood Planning which includes decisions on the examination and referendum of Neighbourhood Plans as set out through South Kesteven District Councils **Constitution**. The delegated decision can be found at the following.

Link – <u>Decision - Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan: Examination Modifications and Referendum</u>
Decision | South Kesteven District Council





Referendum

In line with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations (referendums) 2012, the referendum of the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan will be held on the **18 January 2024.**

Signed

Assistant Director of Planning

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Date – 17 November 2023



Policy Reference Recommended Change Response Reasoning Modifications to some of the principles of Delete a) sustainable development listed in the policy to Replace b) with: 'demonstrate a high standard of avoid duplication. design'. CG1 - Sustainable Accepted Modification to the explanation section is to Development update the Plan. Supporting text modifications In the Explanation delete 'emerging document' Delete the policy. Policy has now been overtaken by more recent events (the site now has full planning permission CG2 - Requirements for and is under development) and can be deleted. **Accepted** the Local Plan housing site Supporting text modifications Delete the Explanation Reference to 'no more than 11 dwellings' has been In a) delete '(usually expected to be no more than 11 moved to the explanatory text. This is as Policy SP3 dwellings)' of the adopted SKDC Local Plan (infill development) In g) replace 'adversely' with 'unacceptably' does not specifically define a set amount of CG3 - Criteria for other development within the policy itself. new housing sites **Accepted** Supporting text modifications including design and size The modification to Criteria g) will bring the clarity At the end of the second paragraph of the Explanation required by the NPPF. add 'Development proposals will usually be expected to be no more than 11 dwellings' At the beginning of the second part of the policy add: The wording of the second part of the policy has been modified to allow it to be more readily used CG4 - House Extensions & 'The use of'. **Accepted** as part of the development management process. Conversions

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CG5 - Landscape Character & Openness	In d) replace 'adversely' with 'unacceptably'	Accepted	The modification to Criteria d) will bring the clarity required by the NPPF.
CG6 - Key Views	Delete the second sentence of the initial part of the policy. Supporting text modifications In the Explanation add 'More detail, including maps and photographs are provided in the accompanying document entitled Key Views' after the second sentence in the initial paragraph.	Accepted	Elements setting out the 'context' of the policy have been deleted and repositioned into the explanation section.
CG7 - Designated heritage assets	Replace the policy with: 'Development proposals should preserve or enhance designated heritage assets and contribute to the quality and character of their settings. Proposals affecting designated heritage assets, or their setting, should respond positively to the contents of Local Plan Policy EN6 and reflect the concentration of assets in and around Corby Glen and Birkholme, and the relationship between the asset, archaeology, and local history.'	Accepted	The policy has been recast so that it has the clarity required by the NPPF.
CG8 – The Market Place	Replace the opening element of the policy with: 'Development proposals that enhance the value and appeal of the Market Place for residents and visitors will be supported where they:' In both b) and c) replace 'adversely' with 'unacceptably'	Accepted	The opening element of the policy has been recast so that it takes on a more positive approach as set out in the NPPF. The detailed modifications to Criteria b) and c) will bring the clarity required by the NPPF.

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CG9 - Local (non- designated) heritage assets and positive unlisted buildings	Delete the fourth part of the policy.	Accepted	Deletion of the fourth part of the policy as it repeats the second part.
CG10 – Archaeology	Supporting text modifications 'The Lincolnshire Heritage Explorer currently has 106 records spanning the Neolithic, Roman and medieval periods. Future building pressure could put at risk unexplored archaeological sites, such as the medieval fishponds to the north of St John's church. Policy CG10 emphasises the local importance attached to preserving the village's rich archaeological heritage. In the Explanation replace '(Para.189)' with '(Paragraph 194).'	Accepted	The Inclusion of additional text in the explanation section is to respond to what CGPC have set out through their clarification note response. To see the full response to the clarification note follow the below link. Microsoft Word - Responses to Examiner and to Representations with PC comments (1) (southkesteven.gov.uk)) Modification of the supporting text to correct inaccuracies around the NPPF paragraph numbers.
CG11 - Open space and recreation facilities	Delete the second part of the policy	Accepted	Deletion of the unnecessary second part of the policy as it comments about the importance of protecting the identified open spaces, which is already addressed in the explanation section text.
CG13 - Countryside management	At the beginning of the first part of the policy add: 'Insofar as planning permission is required,'	Accepted	Modification to the first part of the policy to acknowledge that some of the proposals addressed in the policy will be permitted development.
CG15 - Community facilities and local services	Incorporate the Ron Dawson Memorial Hall and Church Street Meeting Rooms into the list of facilities in the policy. In the second part of the policy delete: 'The Community facilities in the Parish will be protected.' Supporting text modifications	Accepted	CGPC has agreed (through its response to the clarification note) that it would be appropriate to incorporate the two community halls (as identified in Policy CG16) into policy CG15. Deletion of a sentence from the second part of the policy as it has no purpose within the overall context of the policy.

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In Explanation add the following before the final paragraph: 'Policy CG15 includes the Ron Dawson The particular importance of the community halls has been added to the explanation section text. Memorial Hall and Church Street Meeting Rooms in the list of facilities. The Parish Council recognises the importance of these community halls and strongly supports any initiative that will increase their value to the community.' CGPC has agreed (through its response to the Delete the policy. clarification note) to the incorporation of policy CG16 - Community halls CG16 into policy CG15. Supporting text modifications Accepted Delete the Explanation CG18 -Delete 'adverse' Deletion of the unnecessary use of the word Accepted Telecommunications & 'adverse' broadband Reconfiguration of the second part of the policy so In the second part of the policy delete 'Development proposals that include adequate parking measures will that it sets out the requirements for new development, rather than anticipate the outcomes CG19 - Transport & active be supported' and then add as a separate part of the **Accepted** policy 'Development proposals should include adequate of planning applications. This is as planning travel parking measures' decisions will be based on a range of policies in the development plan. **Non-Policy Recommended Changes** Modification of general text (where necessary) to achieve To allow for minor text amendments due to **General Modifications** consistency with the modified policies. Accepted formatting or grammatical errors. Correct the NPPF paragraph numbers in the various Factual modifications to the document. **Specific Modifications Accepted** Explanations.