

SHILLINGSTONE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2016 - 2031

At the meeting of the Full Council on 21 February 2017, North Dorset District Council has taken the decision to make the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan 2016 – 2031 (as modified) part of the development plan for the Shillingstone neighbourhood area.

In March 2016, Shillingstone Parish Council submitted its draft neighbourhood plan and supporting material to North Dorset District Council. An independent examiner was appointed, and his report was received in October 2016. In summary, the examiner's report concluded that the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan would meet the basic conditions and other legal requirements, subject to modifications.

North Dorset District Council considered each of the recommendations and modifications contained in the examiner's report at its Cabinet meeting on 12 December 2016. In considering the conclusions of the independent examiner, the District Council agreed that the legal requirements and basic conditions had been met. In addition the District Council made a further modification that it considered was needed for the plan to meet the basic conditions, and this was also approved at the Cabinet meeting.

The District Council held a referendum on 9 February 2017. More than half of those voting in the referendum voted in favour of the plan. No other issues have become known that would suggest that the District Council should decline to make the plan.

The area covered by the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan

The neighbourhood plan area covers the area of Shillingstone Parish only.

What this means for the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan area

In England, development plans are used to set out the planning policies for the development and use of land. Planning applications are determined by local planning authorities such as North Dorset District Council.

Planning decisions are made in accordance with the adopted development plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The neighbourhood plan forms part of the development plan for the Shillingstone Parish area, which also includes the adopted North Dorset Local Plan Part One and 'saved' policies from the North Dorset District - Wide Local Plan 2003 that remain extant.

The policies in the neighbourhood plan are in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan. Therefore, when decisions are being made on development proposals, the policies contained in the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan will take precedence over the non-strategic policies in the adopted North Dorset Local Plan Part One and the 'saved' extant policies from the 2003 North Dorset District –Wide Local Plan.

Where to find more information

Copies of this decision document and the adopted Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed online via [Local planning policy North Dorset - dorsetforyou.com](https://www.dorsetforyou.com) and at the District Council Offices, Nordon, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum DT11 7LL (8.45am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 8.45am to 4.00pm on Friday).