



## **Mid Sussex District Council Local Planning Authority**

### **Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014-2031**

#### **The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

#### **Regulation 20: Neighbourhood Plan Adoption Statement**

Prepared by: Mark Bristow (MSDC Neighbourhood Planning Officer)

31<sup>st</sup> March 2016

#### **1.0 Introduction**

1.1 Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), the Council has a statutory duty to assist communities in the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders and to take plans through a process of examination, referendum and adoption. The Localism Act 2011 (Part 6 Chapter 3) sets out the Local Planning Authority's responsibilities under Neighbourhood Planning.

#### **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 The Neighbourhood Plan Area for Lindfield and Lindfield Rural covers the parish of Lindfield and the parish of Lindfield Rural.
- 2.2 The Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031 was examined by Graham Self, who on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2015 passed the plan and recommended Mid Sussex District Council should, subject to the modifications in the examination report, proceed to referendum. Following this, the examiner's modifications were agreed by both Parish Councils and subsequently agreed by Mid Sussex District Council Cabinet on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 with the exception of one recommendation. The Decision Statement which includes all the agreed modifications was then published on the Mid Sussex District Council website. It should be noted that there was one recommendation of the examiner that was not agreed with and as such a further consultation took place on a proposed alternative modification during September and October 2015. For further details please see the Cabinet Report of 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and the Cabinet Report of 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015.
- 2.3 On 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016, the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031 successfully passed referendum with 1888 of the votes cast agreeing that the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan be used by Mid Sussex District Council for the determination of planning applications.
- 2.4 On 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 Mid Sussex District Council resolved that the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031, Submission Plan (incorporating

examiners modifications and all modifications as per the MSDC Decision Statement with the exception of the modification suggested by the examiner to amend the built up area boundary to include land known as SHLAA site 6) should be 'made' and become part of the Development Plan for Mid Sussex District Council for the parishes of Lindfield and Lindfield Rural.

### 3.0 Conclusion

- 3.1 I confirm, that the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031, Submission Plan (incorporating examiners modifications and all modifications as per the MSDC Decision Statement), complies with the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in the Localism Act 2011, and as a result of Full Council resolution of 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 has been 'made' with effect 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
- 3.2 I confirm that the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031 is part of the Development Plan of the Mid Sussex District Council Local Planning Authority Area as defined at Area Designation by Mid Sussex District Council on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2012.
- 3.3 I am taking the above mentioned decision as I concur with the advice contained in the above report under the 1990 Act in relation to the Neighbourhood Development Plan with the exception to include SHLAA site 6.
- 3.4 I declare that I have no personal or prejudicial interest in respect of this decision.

Signed: 

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**Head of Economic Promotion and Planning**

**Date: 31/03/2016**

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