

04 September 2019

Dear Mrs Reader

Re: Submission of Parson Drove Neighbourhood Development Plan

I am writing to confirm receipt of the draft *Parson Drove Neighbourhood Development Plan 2019 to 2032* and accompanying documents; and to confirm that the plan meets the statutory requirements and can proceed to examination.

Statutory requirements

Where the submitted Neighbourhood Plan meets the statutory requirements set out in paragraph 6 of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), the Council will publicise the Plan for a minimum of 6 weeks, invite representations, notify any consultation body referred to in the consultation statement and send the draft Neighbourhood Plan to independent examination. For reference, the statutory requirements are available at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/20/schedule/10/enacted>.

Authorisation to prepare plan

The plan was submitted by Parson Drove Parish Council and applies to the designated Parson Drove Neighbourhood Area. The boundary of the Neighbourhood Area is coterminous with the Parson Drove Civil Parish boundary, and does not include land within any other parish. As a parish council, Parson Drove Parish Council is authorised to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the designated Parson Drove Neighbourhood Area¹.

Draft Neighbourhood Plan and accompanying documents

Parson Drove Parish Council submitted the draft Neighbourhood Plan which contains policies and proposals which apply to the designated Parson Drove Neighbourhood Area. The submitted Plan is accompanied by a Basic Conditions Statement, Consultation Statement, map of the Neighbourhood Area, and an SEA Screening Report.

¹ Paras. 6(a) & (b) of Sch. 4B.

The suite of documents appears complete and consistent with the requirements of national planning policy, guidance and legislation².

Planning permission and excluded development

The draft Neighbourhood Plan sets out proposed planning policies which apply to the Parson Drove Neighbourhood Area only. The draft Neighbourhood Plan does not therefore directly grant planning permission. If the plan is made, development proposals will continue to be subject to the planning application process.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan does not provide for the granting of planning permission for any development that is excluded development³.

In conclusion, the Council is satisfied that the submitted Parson Drove Neighbourhood Plan complies with the statutory requirements. The Council will therefore proceed to publish the plan for a 6 week period from 05 September 2019 to 17 October 2019, inviting representations during this time.

I will be in contact with Parson Drove Parish Council in due course to discuss arrangements for the Independent Examination.

Yours Sincerely

Edward Dade

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² Paras. 6(c) & (d) of Sch. 4B

³ Para. 6(e) of Sch. 4B