Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk

Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review 2022-2038

Adoption Statement

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) Section 31E (4)(b)
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Regulations 19 & 20

BACKGROUND

Walpole Cross Keys Parish Council successfully prepared a first Neighbourhood Development Plan ("Neighbourhood Plan"), for that Parish area. The Neighbourhood Area was designated in 2013, with the Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan 2015-2026 made (adopted) in October 2017.

In 2022, Walpole Cross Keys Parish Council began the process of reviewing the 2017 Neighbourhood Plan. The Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review 2022-2038 successfully passed its independent examination in June 2026. This was subsequently passed by a local referendum on 24th September 2026 and is now being brought into force by the Borough Council (as the local planning authority for the area). The Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review 2022-2038 will now form part of the development plan for the whole of the Parish of Walpole Cross Keys and be used to help guide development and make decisions on planning applications in the Walpole Cross Keys Parish.

DECISION

The Borough Council decided on **6th October 2026** to 'make' (adopt or bring into legal force) the Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review 2022-2038, as approved at referendum, with effect from **6th October 2026**.

REASON

The amended (referendum version) Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review meets the Basic Conditions and other legal requirements and was supported by a majority of votes in a local referendum held on **24th September 2026**.

AVAILABILITY FOR INSPECTION

The Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan Review 2022-2038 (and this Decision Statement) may be inspected:

- Via the Borough Council website – Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan | Walpole Cross Keys Neighbourhood Plan | Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk or:
- At the Borough Council office – King's Court, Chapel Street, King's Lynn, PE30 1EX (during office hours)

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact the Borough Council's Planning Policy Team on 01553 616200, or email neighbourhood.plans@west-norfolk.gov.uk.



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