

Northumberland National Park Authority

Wooler Neighbourhood Plan

Regulation 19 Decision Statement

Northumberland National Park Authority has resolved to ‘make’ the Wooler Neighbourhood Plan. The Wooler Neighbourhood Plan has been brought into legal force. It now forms part of the statutory Development Plan for the Wooler Neighbourhood Area which comprises the whole of the civil parish of Wooler. Decisions on planning applications must now be made in accordance with policies in the Wooler Neighbourhood Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Wooler Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to Northumberland County Council as lead Authority in February 2020. Publicity was undertaken by Northumberland County Council as lead authority in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. A report following Independent Examination of the Plan was published on 26 May 2020. This report found that, with some modifications, the Plan passed the necessary legal tests and it could be put to local referendum. The National Park Authority accepted these modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner’s Report. A local referendum was held in the Parish of Wooler on 10 June 2021. A majority of those voting were in favour of the Plan being used in making decisions on planning applications.

The Wooler Neighbourhood Plan, as modified following Independent Examination, complies with legal requirements governing the making of neighbourhood development plans set out in the Planning Acts and associated Regulations.

Accordingly, I hereby confirm that the Wooler Neighbourhood Plan has been made by resolution of the Authority meeting on 15th December 2021. Decisions on planning applications in the Wooler Neighbourhood Area must now be made in accordance with policies in the Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Wooler Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed [here](#).

Signed:



Tony Gates
Chief Executive
Northumberland national Park Authority
Date: 15th December, 2021