

Information Statement

Colwich Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Colwich Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 15 September 2016.

The question asked in the Referendum will be:-

“Do you want Stafford Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Colwich Parish to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

The Referendum area is identified on the attached map.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Colwich Neighbourhood area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 30 August 2016

- he or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- his or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A persons qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors, the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2,580. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 3,702.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected on line:- <http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/colwich-neighbourhood-plan-referendum>

Paper copies of the specified documents are also available to view at:-

- **Stafford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford, ST16 3AQ.**
Monday - Thursday 8.30 am - 5.00 pm, Friday 8.30 am - 4.30 pm.
- **Colwich Parish Centre, St Marys Road, Little Haywood, ST18 0NJ.**
Mondays to Fridays 10am- noon.
- **The Clifford Arms, Main Road, Great Haywood, ST18 0SR.** Monday - Thursday Noon - 11:30pm. Friday - Saturday Noon - Midnight. Sunday Noon - 11pm.
- **Little Haywood General Store, Main Road, Little Haywood, ST18 0TU.**
Monday - Saturday 7am -7pm; Sunday 8am - 3pm.

The specified documents are:-

- The Colwich Neighbourhood Plan.
- Report of the independent examiner.
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner.
- Statement by the local planning authority that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation.
- *This information statement.*
- A statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

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