

# CHADDESLEY CORBETT

## NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

### **REFERENDUM**

**INFORMATION STATEMENT** 

#### Referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan

On 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014, there will be a Referendum on a Neighbourhood Development Plan (usually known as a neighbourhood Plan) for your area. The Referendum question is:

Do you want Wyre Forest District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Chaddesley Corbett to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?

The Parish, the Neighbourhood Area (the area to which the Neighbourhood Plan applies), and the Referendum Area (the area in which all registered electors will be allowed to vote in this Referendum) are all the same for this Referendum. A map of this area appears on the next page.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2014:

- 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 person's
  qualifying address is the one he or she is registered at and is entitled to be
  registered at on the register of electors.

Expenses can be incurred by an individual or body during the period of the Referendum for referendum purposes only. The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to this Referendum is £2,432.09 The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which the limit has been calculated is 1188.

The referendum will be conducted based on procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

You are reading one of a number of documents (the Regulations call them 'specified documents') that will help you to make a decision on how to vote. A copy of all these 'specified documents' may be inspected at:

- The Worcestershire Hub, Kidderminster Town Hall, Vicar Street, Kidderminster, DY10 1DB, opening hours Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri (8.30am to 5.00pm) and Wed 10.00am to 5.00pm.
- Kidderminster Library, Market Street, Kidderminster, Worcestershire DY10 1AB, opening hours Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat (9.00am to 5.30pm) and Tue, Thu (9.00am to 7.00pm)
- Copies of the specified documents are also available at the following locations in St. Cassian's Church, The Village, Chaddesley Corbett, Worcestershire, DY10 4SD (9.00am to 6.00pm daily)

The 'specified documents' are:

- Notice of Referendum;
- This Information Statement,
- Draft Neighbourhood Plan itself;
- Report of the Independent Examiner;
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- Decision Statement by Wyre Forest District Council that the Draft Plan meets the 'Basic Conditions'. This also lists all the Examiner's modifications to the Plan, whether or not the Council agrees with them, and why they need to be made; and

The Information for Voters document

All the above documents can be viewed on Wyre Forest District Council's website: <a href="http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/chaddesleycorbettnp">http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/chaddesleycorbettnp</a>

#### The 'Basic Conditions'

- 1. Complies with national policy and guidance from Secretary of State
- 2. Contributes to sustainable development
- 3. General conformity with the strategic policy of the development plan (Wyre Forest District Council's Local Plan plus Worcestershire County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plans) for the area or any part of that area
- 4. Does not breach or is otherwise compatible with EU obligations this includes the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive of 2001/42/EC
- 5. Where development in the Plan is Environmental Impact Assessment development (specific types of development likely to have major environmental impacts set out in Regulations), having regard to all material considerations it is appropriate that the Neighbourhood Plan include a policy on it.(Schedule 3 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Reg 33).
- 6. The making of the Neighbourhood Plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species regulations 2010(d) or a European offshore marine site (as defined in the Offshore Marine Conservation (Natural Habitats &c) regulations 2007 9(e) (either alone or in combination with other plans or projects

### MAP OF AREA COVERED BY CHADDESLEY CORBETT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH)



