SAFFRON WALDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REFERENDUM

INFORMATION STATEMENT

A Referendum relating to the Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 15 September 2022.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is "**Do you want Uttlesford District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Saffron Walden to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area**?"

The Referendum area is identified on the map which is included with this information statement. The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan Area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum on Thursday 15 September 2022 if:

- He or she is entitled to vote in an election of any Councillor of Uttlesford Council whose area is in the Referendum area; and
- His or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A person's 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 so registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is $\pounds 3,120.56$. Calculated as $\pounds 2,362 + \pounds 0.059p$ per registered local government elector as at 1 August 2022. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum, by reference to which that limit has been calculated is **12,867**

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 at the Council's website at:

Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan - Uttlesford District Council

The specified documents are:

- Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan (Referendum Version);
- The Report of the Independent Examiner;
- Copies of the written representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- The statement by the local planning authority that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation;
- This Information Statement;
- A Decision Statement of the Local Planning Authority's satisfaction that the draft Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions;
- A statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum;
- Map of Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan area.