

BlackfordbyNeighbourhood Plan Information Statement

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Blackfordby Neighbourhood Plan will be held on **Thursday 7 April 2022**.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is **'Do you want North West Leicestershire District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for the Blackfordby Neighbourhood Area 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 BlackfordbyNeighbourhood Area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 7 April 2022

- He or she is entitled to vote in a local government election of any Councillor 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 so registered.

The deadline to register to vote is 11.59pm on **22 March 2022**. The last day to apply for a postal vote is 5pm on **23 March 2022**. For more information please contact North West Leicestershire District Council Elections Team by telephone on 01530 454512 or by email to electreg@nwleicestershire.gov.uk

Section 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (Referendums) Regulations 2012 specifies a limit on the amount that can be spent during the referendum for referendum purposes. The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2,362. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 1,127.

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

This information statement and a number of 'specified documents' will provide you with information which will help you make a decision on the referendum. The specified documents are:

- The Draft BlackfordbyNeighbourhood Plan (Referendum Version)
- The report of the independent examiner into the Neighbourhood Plan
- A summary of representations submitted to the independent examiner
- A statement of the Local Planning Authority's satisfaction that the draft Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions specified by statute and complies with the provision made by or under Section 38A and 38B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
- A statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

A copy of the specified documents may be inspected at the following locations;

North West Leicestershire District Council Offices
Whitwick Road,
Coalville,
Leicestershire,
LE67 3FJ

We are now operating on an appointment basis only therefore please call us on 01530 454545.

At Ashby Library, North Street, Ashby de la Zouch LE65 1HU during its normal opening hours:

	Smart	Staffed	Smart
Monday	8am – 10am	10am – 1pm	1pm – 7pm
Tuesday	8am – 2pm	2pm – 5pm	5pm – 7pm
Wednesday	8am – 7pm	Closed	
Thursday	8am – 2pm	2pm – 5pm	5pm – 7pm
Friday	8am – 10am	10am – 1pm	1pm – 7pm
Saturday	8am – 10am	10am – 2pm	2pm – 6pm
Sunday		Closed	

Documents can also be viewed online at:

https://www.nwleics.gov.uk/pages/blackfordby_neighbourhood_plan_designation

A map of the Blackfordby referendum area is detailed over the page.

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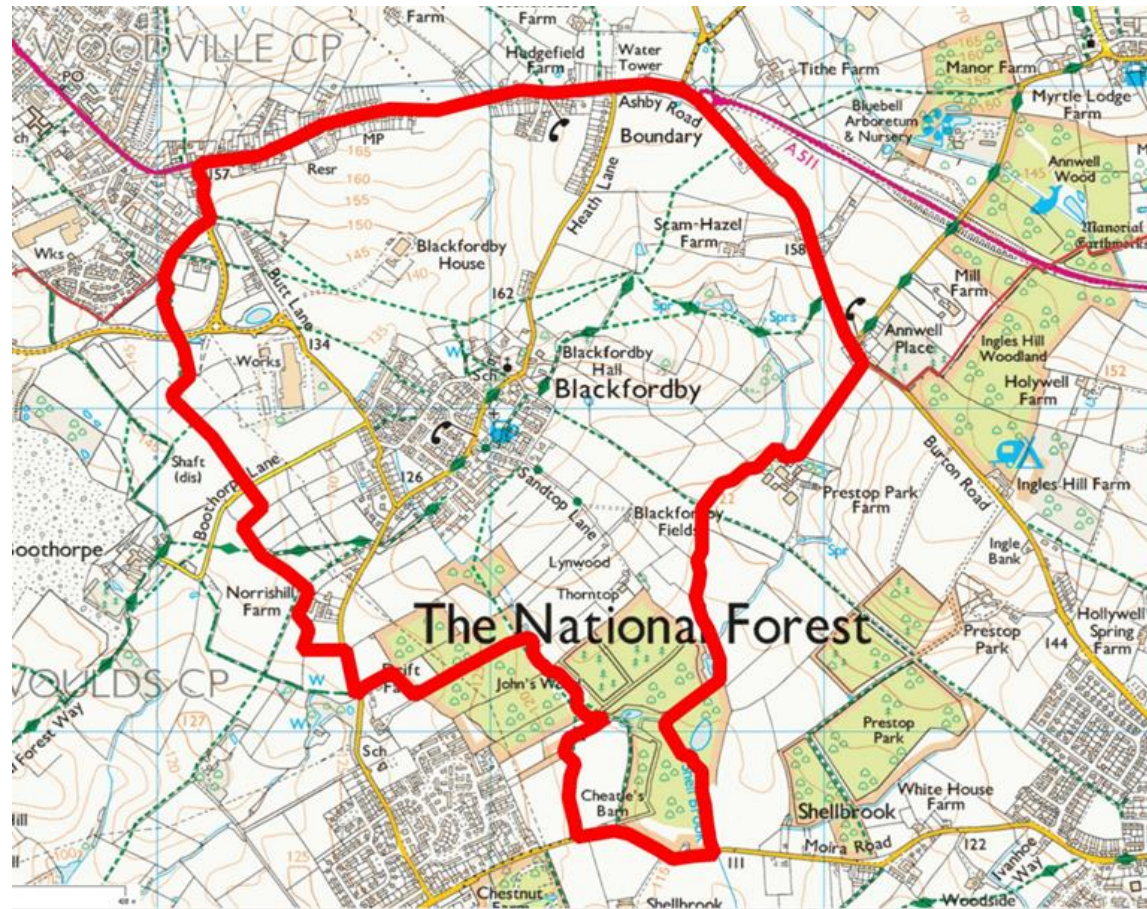
Bev Smith – Counting Officer

North West Leicestershire District Council,

The Council Offices, Whitwick Road, Coalville, Leicestershire, LE67 3FJ

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Blackfordby Neighbourhood Plan Area Boundary



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