

High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Plan

Final Decision Statement

Decision Publication Date: 3rd July 2025

Summary

Bath & North East Somerset Council has decided to make the High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Plan part of the statutory Development Plan. This follows a successful independent examination and a positive referendum result.

1. Decision

Bath & North East Somerset Council has decided, on 14th June 2025, pursuant to Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended), to formally “make” the High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Plan.

The Plan now forms part of the Development Plan for Bath & North East Somerset and will be given full weight in the determination of planning applications within the High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Area.

2. Reasons for Decision

- The Plan meets the basic conditions set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- It is compatible with retained EU obligations and the European Convention on Human Rights.
- The Plan complies with the relevant statutory requirements under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).

A referendum was held on 1st May 2025 in the High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Area. The question posed was:

“Do you want Bath & North East Somerset Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for High Littleton and Hallatrow to help it decide planning applications in the Neighbourhood Area?”

Turnout: 34.7% of the electorate

Result: 88.79% voted in favour

As more than half of those voting supported the Plan, the Council is required to make it unless doing so would breach legal obligations. The Council has assessed that no such breach would occur.

3. Background

- Designation of Neighbourhood Area: The High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Area was designated on 6th October 2016.
- Submission of Plan: The draft Plan was submitted by High Littleton and Hallatrow Parish Council in February 2024.
- Consultation: Public consultation under Regulation 16 was held from 2nd July to 23rd August 2024.
- Examination: An independent examiner, Ms Janet Cheesley BA (Hons) DipTP MRTPI, was appointed in September 2024.
- Examiner's Report: Received on 6th February 2025, recommending the Plan proceed to referendum with modifications.
- Referendum: Held on 1st May 2025, with a majority in favour.

4. Inspection and Contact Details

This Decision Statement, the made Plan, and supporting documents are available to view:

Online: www.bathnes.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning

For further information, please contact:

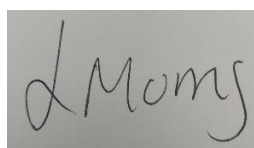
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