

Silkstone Neighbourhood Development Plan



Decision Statement published pursuant to section 38A (9) and (10) Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and Regulations 19 and 20 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

On 7 December 2023 Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council resolved to make the Silkstone Neighbourhood Development Plan under Section 38A (4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The Silkstone Neighbourhood Development Plan now forms part of the Development Plan for Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council.

Reasons for the decision:

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council appointed an independent examiner: Ms Rosemary Kidd Dip TP MRTPI, to review whether the plan met the basic conditions required by legislation and whether the plan should proceed to referendum.

The Examiner's Report concluded that the plan meets the Basic Conditions and that subject to the modifications proposed in the report which are set out in the Silkstone Neighbourhood Development Plan Decision Statement (dated 6 September 2023), the plan should proceed to a Referendum.

A referendum was held on 19 October 2023 and met the requirements of the Localism Act 2011; it was held in the Silkstone Neighbourhood Area and posed the question:

'Do you want Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Silkstone to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

90.70% of those who voted were in favour of the plan. In accordance with section 38A (4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 the Council is legally obliged to make the Plan as it has been through a successful referendum and does not breach, or would otherwise be incompatible with, any EU obligation or any of the Convention rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998).

This decision can be viewed on the Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council website at:

[Silkstone Neighbourhood Development Plan \(barnsley.gov.uk\)](https://www.barnsley.gov.uk)

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Garry Hildersley, Head of Planning, Policy and Building Control, Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council.

DATE 7 December 2023