

Appendix 3 – Decision Statement

Trafford Council

Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Plan

Decision Statement – 29 November 2017

Summary

On 29th November 2017 Trafford Council decided to ‘make’ the Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Plan (ATCNBP) under 38 (A) (4) of the 2004 Act. The Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Plan now forms part of the Development Plan for Trafford Council.

Background

The Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Forum was formally designated by the Council on the 28th July 2014 as the qualifying body to prepare the ATCNBP under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012).

Following the submission of the ATCNBP to the Council, the plan was publicised and comments were invited from the public and stakeholders. The consultation period closed on 11th October 2016.

Trafford Council appointed an Independent Inspector in order to examine whether the plan should proceed to referendum. The Examiner’s report concluded that subject to the modifications set out in her report that the ATCNBP meets the Basic Conditions and should proceed to referendum.

Decision

The Council ‘makes’ the Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Plan part of the Trafford Development Plan.

The report considered by Executive/Council can be viewed on the Councils website.

Reason

A referendum for business and residents in the neighbourhood plan area was held on 19th October 2017. The turnout for the business referendum was 46.1% and 95.7% of the votes cast were in favour. The turnout in the residential referendum was 14.7% and 84.6% of the votes cast were in favour.

The results of the business and residential referendums can be viewed at:

<http://www.trafford.gov.uk/about-your-council/elections/docs/Altrincham-Neighbourhood-Planning-Business-Referendum-declaration-of-results.pdf>

<http://www.trafford.gov.uk/about-your-council/elections/docs/Altrincham-Neighbourhood-Plan-Residential-Referendum-declaration-of-results.pdf>

Paragraph 38 (A) (4) of the of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires the Council to 'make' the neighbourhood plan if more than half of those voting in the referendum have voted in favour of the plan being used to decide planning applications in the area. The plan was endorsed by more than the required threshold in both the business and residential referendums held on 19th October 2017.

This decision statement will be made available as follows:

- Trafford Councils Website at: <http://www.trafford.gov.uk/planning/strategic-planning/local-development-framework/altrincham-neighbourhood-business-plan.aspx>
- Altrincham Library, Stamford New Road, Altrincham
- In hard copy, on request at Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road, Stretford, M32 0TH.

A copy of the decision statement is being sent to:

- The qualifying body, namely the Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Forum; and
- To any person who asked to be notified of the decision.

The Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents are available to view on the Council's website at:

<http://www.trafford.gov.uk/planning/strategic-planning/local-development-framework/altrincham-neighbourhood-business-plan.aspx>