

Buxton with Lamas Neighbourhood Plan – Final Decision Statement

The decision:

Following a referendum on 10 January 2025, in which more than half of those who voted did so in favour of the Neighbourhood Plan, Broadland District Council has decided to 'make' the Buxton with Lamas Neighbourhood Plan part of the Development Plan for the District. This decision was taken by Broadland District Council on 20 February 2025.

Reasons for the decision:

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Broadland District Council appointed an independent examiner in October 2023 to assess the submitted Buxton with Lamas Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The examiner conducted his examination based on written evidence and concluded that, subject to certain modifications, the Plan meets the basic conditions and that it should proceed to a referendum in Buxton with Lamas.

Broadland District Council considered the recommendations of the examiner and agreed with his proposed modifications to the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan proceeded to a referendum, which took place on 10 January 2025. The result of the referendum was as follows:

Question in referendum	Number voting 'Yes'	Number voting 'No'
Do you want Broadland District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Buxton with Lamas to help them decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?	232	26

If a referendum results in more than half of those voting doing so in favour of the proposal then the local planning authority must make the Neighbourhood Development Plan as soon as reasonably practical, unless it considers that this would breach or be incompatible with any EU obligation or any of the Convention Rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998).

Buxton with Lamas Neighbourhood Plan now forms part of the statutory development plan for Broadland District.

A copy of the plan may be inspected online and at the following locations:

- Adopted Neighbourhood Plans in Broadland | Broadland and South Norfolk
- St Andrew's Church, Buxton, NR10 5JE. Open daily 9:00-15:30.
- St Andrew's Church, Lamas, NR10 5AF. Open daily dawn-dusk.
- Aylsham Library, 7 Hungate Street, Aylsham, NR11 6AA.
- Broadland District Council & South Norfolk Council offices The Horizon Centre, Broadland Business Park, Peachman Way, Norwich, NR7 0WF (Please call to make a prior appointment – 01603 431133)