



Thorpe St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan – Final Decision Statement

The decision:

Following a referendum on 2nd May 2024, 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 Thorpe St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan part of the Development Plan for the District. This decision was taken by Broadland District Council on 25th July 2024 & Broads Authority on 26th July 2024.

Reasons for the decision:

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Broadland District Council appointed an independent examiner in August 2023 to assess the submitted Thorpe St Andrew 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 Thorpe St Andrew.

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 2nd May 2024. The result of the referendum was as follows:

Question in referendum	Number voting 'Yes'	Number voting 'No'
Do you want Broadland District Council & the Broads Authority to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Thorpe St Andrew to help them decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?	2457	306

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).

Thorpe St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan now forms part of the statutory development plan for Broadland District Council & the Broads Authority.

A copy of the plan is available to view on our website at:

www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans. A copy of this document will also be made available at St Williams Way Library.