



**Bassetlaw**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL  
— North Nottinghamshire —

**Mattersey Neighbourhood Development Plan – Decision Statement**

**1 Summary**

- 1.1 In accordance with Regulation 18 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Bassetlaw District Council has produced this ‘Decision Statement’ in relation to the Mattersey Neighbourhood Development Plan (the ‘Plan’) submitted by Mattersey Parish Council.
- 1.2 Following an independent examination, Bassetlaw District Council confirms that the Plan will proceed to a neighbourhood planning referendum.
- 1.3 In accordance with the examiner’s recommendations, the Plan will proceed to a public referendum scheduled for the 5th September 2019, based on the Mattersey Neighbourhood Area, as approved by Bassetlaw District Council on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015.
- 1.4 As well as being posted on Bassetlaw District Council’s web site, this Decision Statement, along with the independent examiners report can also be viewed on the BDC Neighbourhood Plan website

**Bassetlaw District Council website –**

<http://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-services/neighbourhood-plans/all-neighbourhood-plans-in-bassetlaw/Mattersey/>

**2 Background**

- 2.1 On 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Mattersey Parish Council submitted an application to Bassetlaw District Council for the designation of Mattersey Parish as a Neighbourhood Area. On 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015, Bassetlaw District Council approved the Neighbourhood Area Designation following a statutory six-week consultation period (15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 – 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015).
- 2.2 The Pre-Submission Draft Mattersey Neighbourhood Plan was made available for consultation in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations from 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018.
- 2.3 The Parish Council submitted the Draft Neighbourhood Plan to the District Council on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Bassetlaw District Council held an 8-week consultation period, ending on the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018.

- 2.4 An Independent Examiner was appointed to undertake the examination of the Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Examiner’s Report was sent to the District Council on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and forwarded to Mattersey Parish Council on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### **3 Decisions and Reasons**

- 3.1 The Head of Regeneration, in consultation with the Council’s Cabinet Member for Regeneration has determined that all the recommended modifications set out in the Examiner’s Report will be undertaken to ensure that the Plan meets the Basic Conditions.
- 3.2 The Examiner has concluded that, with the specified modifications, the Plan meets the Basic Conditions and other relevant legal requirements. The Council concurs with this view. Therefore, to meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, a referendum which poses the question “*Do you want Bassetlaw District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Mattersey to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?*” will be held in the Mattersey Neighbourhood Area on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

