

## Sutton cum Lound Neighbourhood Development Plan (Review) – Decision Statement

## 1 <u>Summary</u>

- 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 Sutton cum Lound Neighbourhood Development Plan (Review), the 'Plan', submitted by Sutton cum Lound Parish Council.
- 1.2 Following an independent examination, Bassetlaw District Council confirms that the Plan is duly 'made', subject to the modifications specified in the Examination Report being enacted.
- 1.3 In accordance with the Examiner's recommendations, the Plan will not be subject to a public referendum, given that the changes proposed are limited in scale over the original version of the Plan, which was itself subject to a referendum.
- 1.4 This Decision Statement, along with the Independent Examiner's report, can also be viewed on the <u>Bassetlaw District Council website</u>.

# 2 Background

- 2.1 The Sutton cum Lound Neighbourhood Plan currently forms part of the Development Plan for Bassetlaw, having been 'made' following a successful public referendum on 15 February 2018. In mid-2019 it came to the attention of Sutton cum Lound Parish Council that there was an error in the wording of Policy 6, *Infill and Redevelopment in Sutton cum Lound Village,* made during the process of editing the Plan in readiness for the referendum. The Parish Council accordingly sought the assistance of Bassetlaw District Council in rectifying this issue, by way of a minor material modification to the Plan.
- 2.2 The Pre-Submission Draft Sutton cum Lound Neighbourhood Plan (Review) was made available for consultation in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations from 18 December 2019 to 7 February 2020.
- 2.3 The Parish Council formally submitted the Neighbourhood Plan to the District Council on 7 October 2020. Bassetlaw District Council held a 6-week consultation period, concluding on 23 November 2020.

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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 and Sutton cum Lound Parish Council on 18 January 2021.

## 3 Decisions and Reasons

- 3.1 The Independent Examiner has concluded that, subject to the specified modifications being enacted, the Plan meets the Basic Conditions and other relevant legal requirements. The Independent Examiner has also confirmed that, owing to the limited scale of the changes proposed over the original version, the reviewed Plan does not need to be the subject of a public referendum in order for it to be 'made' by the District Council.
- 3.2 The Assistant Chief Executive Housing, Regeneration & Neighbourhoods, 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 enacted to ensure that the Plan meets the Basic Conditions.

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