

Stage 6: Adoption

If at referendum more than 50% of people vote in favour of the proposals, South Holland District Council will adopt the plan as statutory planning policy.

Adoption

If a majority is achieved in favour of your Neighbourhood Plan, the Council will formally 'make' (adopt) the plan and it will become part of the development plan for South Holland. This means it will be used to determine planning applications and guide planning decisions in the Neighbourhood Area.

The Council will publish the Neighbourhood Plan on its website and provide details of where the plan can be viewed. It will tell those who commented on the proposed Plan and asked to be notified. A hard copy will also be made available on request at the Council's Offices.

Implementation and Monitoring

It is recommended that the parish/town council or neighbourhood forum monitor their Neighbourhood Plan and its implementation plan to check that progress is being made to deliver the community's objectives.

A parish/town council or neighbourhood forum can refresh its plan at any time, but 5 years gives plenty of time to be able to see how effective your plan is being. If you decide to refresh your plan, you will need to go through the same process as before, including further consultation, examination and referendum.