

## Information Statement

### Eccleshall Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Eccleshall Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 5 May 2016.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:-

**“Do you want Stafford Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Eccleshall to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”**

The Referendum area is identified on the attached map.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Eccleshall Neighbourhood Plan area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 18 April 2016.

- he or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- his or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A persons qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors, the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2575.34. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 3616.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at Local Government elections.

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected on line:- <http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/eccleshall-neighbourhood-plan-referendum>

Paper copies of the specified documents are also available to view at:-

- Stafford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford, ST16 3AQ.  
Monday - Thursday 8.30 am - 5.00 pm, Friday 8.30 am - 4.30 pm.
- Eccleshall Library, 20 High Street, Eccleshall, ST21 6BZ. Tel: 01785 850452  
Opening Times = **Tuesday**: 9.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m, **Wednesday**: 9.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m, **Thursday**: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m, **Friday**: 9.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m, **Saturday**: 9.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

- Croxton Service Station, Croxton, Eccleshall, ST21 6JL Tel: 01630 620226  
Opening Times = **Monday through to Friday:** 7.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m,  
**Saturday:** 7.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

The specified documents are:-

- The Eccleshall Neighbourhood Plan;
- Report of the independent examiner;
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- Statement by the local planning authority that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation;
- *This information statement;*
- A statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

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