



Wellow Neighbourhood Plan Information Statement

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Wellow Neighbourhood Plan will be held on **11 July 2024**.

A Neighbourhood Development Plan contains policies for the use of land in a designated neighbourhood area. In 2016 Wellow Parish Council decided to produce a Neighbourhood Plan and public consultation has taken place on the draft Neighbourhood Plan. The Wellow Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared for the designated Wellow Neighbourhood Area, shown below and on the Council's website at: [Wellow Neighbourhood Development Plan | Test Valley Borough Council](#)

There is a statutory process which must be followed for the making of a Neighbourhood Plan. The process involves the holding of a Referendum. The question, which is specified in the Regulations, which will be asked for the Referendum is:

'Do you want Test Valley Borough Council and New Forest National Park Authority to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Wellow to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

If more than half of those voting in the referendum vote 'Yes' in response to the question above, then the Neighbourhood Plan must be 'made' (adopted) by Test Valley Borough Council and the New Forest National Park Authority and the Neighbourhood Plan will be part of the Development Plan. This means that the Plan will be used in the determination of planning applications for the designated area of Wellow Parish.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Wellow Neighbourhood Plan area and is shown on the map below.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 11 July 2024:

- He or she is entitled to vote in an election of any Councillor of Test Valley Borough Council whose area is in the Referendum area; and
- His or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A person's 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 so registered.

The referendum expenses limit which will apply in relation to the referendum is £3956.18. This has been calculated by adding 5.9p for each of the 2,702 local government electors for the referendum area, at the date of publication of the notice of referendum, to the base amount of £2,362.

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

In accordance with the regulations the specified documents must be accessible online for the Referendum. The planning authorities have also made the documents available for public viewing during the premises normal opening times and may be inspected at:

- Test Valley Borough Council, Former Magistrates' Court, Church Street, Romsey, SO51 8AQ
- New Forest National Park Authority, Lymington Town Hall, Avenue Road, Lymington, Hampshire, SO41 9ZG

The documents are also available to view by appointment with the Clerk to the Council at:

- Wellow Parish Council, Parish Office, Village Hall, Buttons Lane, West Wellow, Hampshire SO51 6BR. Telephone: 01794 323275 Email: clerk@wellowparish.org.uk

The documents are:

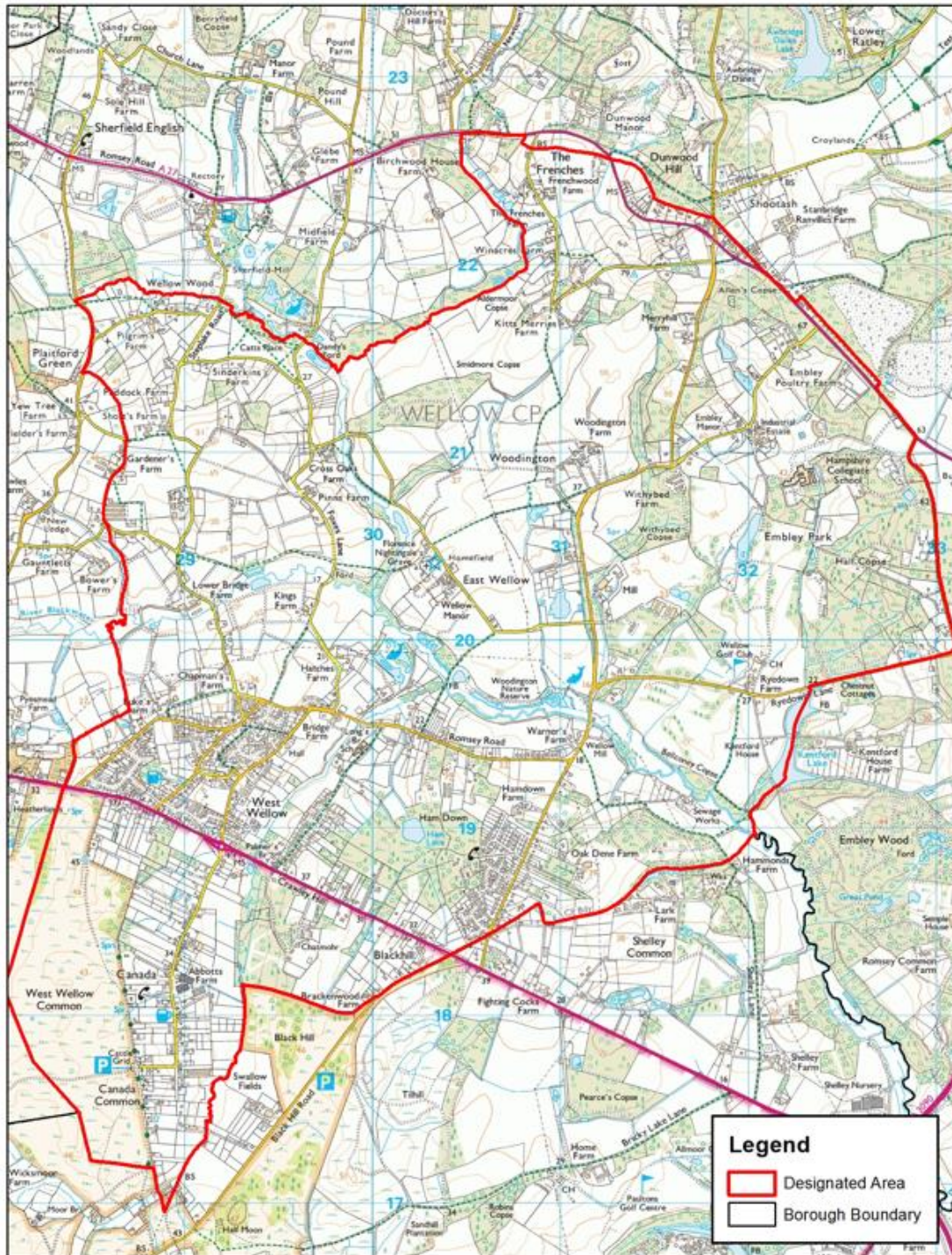
- This Information Statement, which provides general information about neighbourhood planning, the referendum and a map of the referendum area;
- The Draft Wellow Neighbourhood Plan (the referendum version);
- The report of the independent examiner into the Neighbourhood Plan;
- The Decision Statements of the Local Planning Authorities setting out their satisfaction that the Wellow Neighbourhood Plan as recommended for modification by the Examiner meets the necessary legal and procedural requirements, and background information;
- Summaries of the written representations submitted to the independent examiner.
- Statement setting out the general information on Town and Country Planning, neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

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Wellow Neighbourhood Plan Designated Area (The Referendum Area)



Designated Area



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