

Woodhouse Neighbourhood Plan Referendum Information Statement

This statement has been prepared to meet Regulation 4(3) (a) of the Neighbourhood Planning (Referendum) Regulations 2012 (as amended). A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Woodhouse Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan will be held on 28th October 2021. The question which will be asked in the Referendum is: **Do you want Charnwood Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Woodhouse Parish to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?**

The Referendum area is identified on the map included on the next page. It is the same area that has been designated as the Woodhouse Parish neighbourhood area.

The referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures similar to those used at local government elections. A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if they are:

- Entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- Have a qualifying address for the election 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 registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2,362 plus 5.9p for each person entitled to vote in the Referendum, which for this referendum totals 1596 electors.

A number of specified documents are available for the purpose of the Referendum. The specified documents for are:

- Woodhouse Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2020-2032 Referendum Version
- 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.
- A statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the Referendum.

The specified documents can be viewed on the Council's website at: https://www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/woodhouse_neighbourhood_plan

Paper copies of the specified documents may be inspected at the main reception of Charnwood Borough Council's Offices, Southfield Road, Loughborough, LE11 2TX. Due to social distancing requirements, an appointment should be booked to view documents at the main Council reception – call 01509 634560 or email <u>customer.services@charnwood.gov.uk</u>.

Paper documents are also available for inspection within the referendum area at The Village Hall, 50a Main St, Woodhouse Eaves, Loughborough, LE12 8RZ. Please telephone 07739 808871 to arrange an appointment to attend this venue to view the documents.

