

The Altrincham Neighbourhood Plan Referendum Information Statement Referendum date: 19 October 2017

Background

A neighbourhood plan referendum will be held for the Altrincham Neighbourhood Plan on Thursday, 19 October 2017. There will be a referendum of residents and a separate referendum of businesses.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:

“Do you want Trafford Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Altrincham to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

The Referendum Area

The referendum area has been designated as the Altrincham Neighbourhood Plan area. The designated Plan area is shown on the map which is included with this information statement.

Residential Referendum

A person is entitled to vote in the Residential Referendum if, on 19 October 2017.

- 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 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.

Business Referendum

A person is entitled to vote in the Business Referendum if

- he or she is registered on the business voting register on 19 October 2017.

A person is entitled to be registered on the business voting register if, on the day of their application to be so registered, they are a non-domestic ratepayer in the referendum area.

Where, in respect of a hereditament, more than one person is liable for a non-domestic rate as partners or trustees, the business vote holder is the partners or trustees jointly.

Each business vote holder has one vote in the business referendum, irrespective of the number of hereditaments within the referendum area in respect of which he or she is liable for a non-domestic rate.

Referendum expenses

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply to the Referendum is £2467.32

The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been set is 1,224 for the residential referendum and 561 for the business referendum.

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

Specified documents

The specified documents are:

- The Altrincham Neighbourhood Plan, updated to include the changes recommended by the independent examiner;
- The report of the independent examiner into the business neighbourhood plan;
- A summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- A statement by Trafford Council that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation;
- A statement that sets out general information about Town and Country Planning, including neighbourhood planning and the referendum (information for voters);

A copy of the specified documents may be viewed as follows:

- Online at: <http://www.trafford.gov.uk/planning/strategic-planning/local-development-framework/altrincham-neighbourhood-business-plan.aspx>
- Altrincham Library, 20 Stamford New Road, Altrincham.

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Altrincham Town Centre Neighbourhood Business Plan – Referendum Area

