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Report Originator	Head of Development Services	Fwd Plan Ref No: C13/005	
Wards Affected	All	26th February 2014	
Title	NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT		

1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To seek adoption of the North Northamptonshire Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

2. **INFORMATION**

2.1 Local planning authorities are required to prepare a Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), setting out how they will consult and engage with people in the preparation of Development Plan Documents, as well as in determining planning applications. The North Northamptonshire SCI has been prepared by the Joint Planning Unit, on behalf of the partner councils. A draft Statement of Community Involvement was submitted to the Planning Policy Committee on 30th September 2013 for consideration and comment. The Council submitted comments to the Joint Planning Unit, endorsing the draft SCI, and proposing further refinements. The Joint Planning Committee can only adopt the Joint Core Strategy and other joint plans; the SCI therefore must be adopted by each of the partner local authorities. The Planning Policy Committee, at its meeting on 30th January 2014 recommended that the SCI be adopted by Kettering Borough Council.

2.2 A copy of the report presented to the Planning Policy Committee held on 30th January 2014, together with the minute relating to the SCI, are attached as Appendix A to this report. The Statement of Community Involvement is attached as Appendix B.

3. **CONSULTATION AND CUSTOMER IMPACT**

3.1 The draft SCI was subject to thorough consultation through the Joint Planning Unit, Kettering Borough Council acted as a consultee in its development.

4. **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The Statement of Community Involvement will set out the standards to be achieved in involving the community in the preparation, alteration and continuing review of the Council's Development Plan Documents and Development Management decisions.

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5. USE OF RESOURCES

- 5.1 None directly related to this report. The costs borne in consulting on the Council's Development Plan Documents, and in consulting on planning applications are accounted for in the Development Services revenue budget.

6. RECOMMENDATION

That the revised Statement of Community Involvement be agreed for adoption.

Background Papers

Title of Document: North Northamptonshire Statement of Community Involvement –
Changes Post Consultation for Adoption

Date: November 2013

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Previous Reports/Minutes

Planning Policy Committee: 30th September 2013 Minute No. 13.PP.26

Planning Policy Committee: 30th January 2014 Minute No. 13.PP.41