

## BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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<b>Wards Affected</b>	All	25 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	
<b>Title</b>	<b>NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b>		

### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To adopt 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 in the preparation of Local Plan Documents as well as in determining planning applications. Preparation of the North Northamptonshire SCI has been led by the Joint Planning Unit, with input by the partner councils. The partner authorities are required to adopt the SCI independently of the Joint Planning Committee. The SCI was adopted by the North Northamptonshire Joint Planning Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019.
- 2.2 A draft copy of the SCI agreed by Members Planning Policy Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September is provided at **Appendix 1**. The revised SCI is recommended to Full Council for adoption.

### 3. CONSULTATION AND CUSTOMER IMPACT

- 3.1 It is not a requirement to consult on the revision of a SCI however, a focused consultation to allow for wider stakeholder input was undertaken. The consultation took place between 2<sup>nd</sup> May to 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019, seven responses were received. As a result of the consultation, some text was added to provide further clarity.

### 4. POLICY AND RESOURCE 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. There are no resource implications as a direct result of this report. The costs borne in consulting on the Council's Development Plan Documents and planning applications are accounted for in the Development Services revenue budget.

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## 5. LEGAL AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The SCI will meet the Council's requirement to set out how it will consult in the preparation of Local Plan Documents and on planning applications. As a document it sets out how the Council will seek to ensure equality in accessing and responding on planning matters.

## 6. CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None

## 7. RECOMMENDATION

That the revised Statement of Community Involvement as recommended by the Planning Policy Committee be adopted by this Council.

### Previous Reports/Minutes:

Ref: Planning Policy Committee – North Northamptonshire Statement of Community Involvement

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