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KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR DECISION

Item No:- 097

Committee:-	Council
Date:-	15 th March 2023
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Report Title:-	Headlands Neighbourhood Plan
Wards Affected:-	St Michaels and Wicksteed

1. Purpose of Report

To submit the final version of the Neighbourhood Plan for South West Kettering for adoption

2. Recommendations

Council is recommended to adopt the attached plan.

3. Information

3.1. As reported at the last meeting, the Neighbourhood Plan for the Headlands area has been through an external examination and has now been updated to reflect the examiners' recommendations. NNC have taken it through their statutory process and the attached document is the final version.

3.2. The plan is subject to a referendum on the 27th April before it can finally become part of the planning framework for Kettering.

4. Consultation and Engagement

The plan has been the subject of extensive consultation over the years that it has been in preparation. The new document has been formally lodged by NNC for public notification at the library and Council offices. The Town Council is funding a series of information leaflets being delivered to homes in the affected area explaining what the plan aims to do and three drop in sessions at St Michaels Church for residents to find out more and talk to the authors.

5. Finance, Legal and Resource Implications

There is £1000 in the budget to pay for engagement on the plan. The government pays for the cost of the referendum.

6. Climate change implications

The plan seeks to ensure that only considerate and sustainable changes to the area are made, that the extent of local employment and retail is protected, that landscape and tree coverage is protected as far as the planning regime allows, and that appropriate use of materials is encouraged.

7. Policy Implications

The Council's policy is to see the Neighbourhood Plan adopted.

All planning applications for sites within the designated area will be flagged to the planning committee and the views of the local neighbourhood forum members sought on them beforehand.

[Background Papers](#)

[Attached document](#)