



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Stow-on-the-Wold and the Swells Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Stow-on-the-Wold and the Swells Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 26 September 2024. A Notice of Referendum is attached.

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:

“Do you want Cotswold District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Stow-on-the-Wold and the Swells to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

The Referendum area is identified on the map which is included with this information statement.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Stow-on-the-Wold and the Swells Neighbourhood area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on Thursday 26 September 2024 if:

- they are entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- their 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 they are entitled to be registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2,475.92. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 1931.

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

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected online

<https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/stow-on-the-wold-and-the-swells-neighbourhood-plan/>

Paper copies of the specified documents are also available to view at:

- Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, GL7 1PX
 - Opening hours 8:45am – 5pm Monday to Friday
- Stow-on-the-Wold Town Council Offices, Stow Youth Centre, Fosseway, Stow-on-the-Wold, GL54 1DW
 - Opening hours 10am – 1pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
- Stow-on-the-Wold Library, St Edwards Hall, The Square, Stow-on-the-Wold, GL54 1AF
 - Monday: 10:00-17:00
 - Tuesday: 10:00-19:00
 - Wednesday: 10:00-17:00
 - Thursday: 10:00-14:00
 - Friday: 10:00-19:00
 - Saturday: 10:00-14:00

The specified documents are:

- Stow-on-the-Wold and the Swells Neighbourhood Development Plan;
- 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 and complies with the relevant legislation;
- this information statement; and
- a statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.

Dated:16 August 2024

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