

BUCKHORN WESTON AND KINGTON MAGNA NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2021 to 2038

At the meeting of Cabinet on 9 July 2024, Dorset Council took the decision to make the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038 part of the development plan for the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna neighbourhood area.

In October 2023, Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council submitted the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038 and supporting material to Dorset Council. An independent examiner was appointed, and his report was received in March 2024. In summary, the examiner's report concluded that the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038 would meet the basic conditions and other legal requirements, subject to modifications.

The Council held a referendum in the neighbourhood area on 20 June 2023. In the referendum a majority (75%) voted in favour of the plan. No other issues have become known that would suggest that the Council should decline to make the plan.

The area covered by the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038

The neighbourhood plan area covers the civil parishes of Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna.

What this means for the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan area

In England, development plans are used to set out the planning policies for the development and use of land. Planning applications are determined by local planning authorities such as Dorset Council. Planning decisions are made in accordance with the adopted development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The neighbourhood plan forms part of the development plan for the civil parish of Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna, which also includes the North Dorset Local Plan Part 1 (adopted 2016).

The policies in the neighbourhood plan are in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan. Therefore, when decisions are being made on development proposals, the policies contained in the Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038 will take precedence over the non-strategic policies in the North Dorset Local Plan Part 1.

Where to find more information

This decision statement and the made (adopted) Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2021 to 2038 can be viewed online at:

www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/buckhorn-weston-and-kington-magna-neighbourhood-plan