Sutton Parish Council

Neighbourhood Plan 2024

Referendum Plan July 2024

The new Sutton Neighbourhood Plan develops upon the previous plan, adding new and updated policies, a Design Code and Housing Needs Assessment. It is an important planning document enabling villagers to determine how their village develops, determining where and what kind of development should be allowed, the infrastructure to support it and protecting valuable historic and natural assets.

If approved at referendum it will form part of the decision-making process regarding planning at East Cambs District Council.

Following extensive consultation, the Neighbourhood Plan has successfully passed an Independent Examination and has been approved to go forward to a Parish Referendum on Thursday 4th July 2024 between 7.00am and 10.00pm.

The referendum process operates in the same way as an election. If you are entitled to vote in elections, you can cast a vote at the Polling Station which will be at The Brooklands Centre.

If more than 50% of the turnout vote `Yes`, the District Council will be legally required to `make` (adopt) the Neighbourhood Plan as part of its planning framework. This means the planning policies in the Plan will be taken into account when decisions are made on planning applications.

Sutton currently has a Neighbourhood Plan in place, which would be replaced by the new plan if voted `Yes`, at the referendum.

The Parish Council are urging all residents to look at the plan and help decide how Sutton goes forward and develops in the coming years.

The current plan and the new plan can be viewed at -

<https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/sutton-neighbourhood-plan>

A copy will also be available on the Parish Council Website and hard copies available at the Parish Office.Please remember you need photo i.d. to vote.