# Neighbourhood Plans: **DECISION STATEMENT (MAKING)**



## **ARNE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2018-2034**

At the meeting of Cabinet on 22 June 2021, Dorset Council took the decision to make the Arne Neighbourhood Plan 2018-2034 (as modified) (hereafter referred to as the Arne Neighbourhood Plan) part of the development plan for the Arne neighbourhood area.

In June 2019, Arne Parish Council submitted the Arne Neighbourhood Plan and supporting material to Dorset Council. An independent examiner was appointed, and her report was received in March 2020. In summary, the examiner's report concluded that the Arne Neighbourhood Plan would meet the basic conditions and other legal requirements, subject to modifications.

The Council held a referendum in the neighbourhood area on 6 May 2021. In the referendum a majority (93.0%) 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 Arne Neighbourhood Plan

The neighbourhood plan area covers the civil parish of Arne.

#### What this means for the Arne 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 Arne which also includes the adopted Purbeck Local Plan Part 1 (adopted 2012).

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 Arne Neighbourhood Plan will take precedence over the non-strategic policies in the adopted Purbeck Local Plan Part 1 (2012).

#### Where to find more information

This decision statement and the adopted Arne Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed online at <a href="https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning-policy/purbeck/neighbourhood-planning-purbeck/arne-neighbourhood-plan.aspx">https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning-purbeck/arne-neighbourhood-plan.aspx</a>. The decision statement and plan will also be available to view at County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1XJ when the offices reopen to the public.