Hadley Wood Neighbourhood Plan

Referendum Information Statement





A Referendum relating to the Hadley Wood Neighbourhood Plan will be held on **Thursday 2nd November 2023.**

All Referendum information can be viewed here:

https://www.enfield.gov.uk/services/councillors-and-democracy/neighbourhoodplanning-referendum

The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:

"Do you want Enfield Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Hadley Wood to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

The Referendum area is identified on the map in Appendix A. The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Hadley Wood Neighbourhood area.

Who is entitled to vote?

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on Thursday 2nd November 2023:

- he or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area (is registered to vote and is 18 years of age or over on Thursday 2nd November 2023); and
- his or her 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 he or she is entitled to be registered.

You have to be registered to vote by 12 midnight on Tuesday 17th October 2023 in order to vote in the referendum.

You can check if you are registered to vote by calling 020 3821 1813.

If you are not on the electoral register, you will need to go online to <u>www.gov.uk/register-to-vote</u> and complete an online application form.

Remember...... If you're not registered, you won't be able to vote.

How to vote

There are three ways of voting:

In person:

- The polling station location is St Paul's Church, Camlet Way, EN4 0LH.
- Most people vote in person at their local polling station. It is easy, and a member of staff will always help if you are not sure what to do.
- If voting in person, **you must bring photographic identification** in order to be able to vote; the accepted forms of photographic identification will be listed on the reverse of the poll card.
- The polling stations will be open from 7am to 10pm on Thursday 2nd November 2023.

• If you do not receive your poll card, you can contact the Elections Office on 020 3821 1813 to find out where your polling station is.

<u>By post:</u>

- To vote by post, you need to fill in a Postal Vote application form and send it to Elections Office, Civic Centre, Silver Street, EN1 3ES. This must be received by the Elections Office no later than 5pm on Wednesday 18th October 2023.
- Ballot papers can be sent overseas, but you need to think about whether you will have time to receive and return your ballot papers by 10pm on Thursday 2nd November 2023.
- You should receive your postal vote pack about a week before polling day. If it doesn't arrive in time, you can get a replacement from 27 October up to 5pm on Thursday 2nd November 2023.

<u>By proxy:</u>

If you can't go to the polling station and don't wish to vote by post, you
may be able to vote by proxy. This means allowing somebody you trust to
vote on your behalf. Proxy vote application forms are available from the
Elections Office on 020 3821 1813 and must be received by the Elections
Office by 5pm on Wednesday 25th October 2023.

Referendum expenses

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is $\pounds 2,494.99$. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 2254.

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

Specified documents

The specified documents are:

- Draft neighbourhood Plan (Referendum Version)
- Examiner's Report;
- Summary of the representations submitted to the Examiner;
- A statement that the Council is satisfied that it meets the basic conditions and provisions as they apply (Decision Statement)
- A statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning (including neighbourhood planning and the referendum (this Information Statement).

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed above, may be inspected at: <u>www.enfield.gov.uk/services/planning/emerging-plans#hadley-wood-neighbourhood-plan</u>

Paper copies are available to view at the following locations during opening hours:

• Panini's, 22 Crescent West, Hadley Wood EN4 0EJ

- Hadley Wood Golf Club, Beech Hill, Hadley Wood EN4 0JJ
- Hadley Wood Association Centre, 1-7 Crescent East, Hadley Wood EN4 0E
- Enfield Council, Civic Centre Silver Street, Enfield EN1 3EB

Date: Monday 25th September 2023

Ian Davis Chief Executive

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