

**SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Town and Country Planning, England  
The Neighbourhood Planning (General)  
Regulations 2012 (as amended)**

**HEVERSHAM AND HINCASTER NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

**REGULATION 18 DECISION STATEMENT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that South Lakeland District Council (SLDC) accepts the findings of an Independent Examination of Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood Plan (the Plan) and therefore confirms that the Plan may proceed to Neighbourhood Planning referendum.

Following the submission of the Plan to SLDC, the Plan was publicised and representations were invited. The publicity period ended on 21 July 2016. SLDC appointed an independent examiner, Mr Peter Biggers BSc (Hons) MRTPI, to examine the Plan.

The Examiner's report concludes that, subject to making the recommended modifications, the Plan meets the basic conditions set out in the legislation and should proceed to a Neighbourhood Planning referendum. The Examiner's report also concludes that the referendum should cover the Neighbourhood Area only.

Under delegated authority given by a meeting of the SLDC's Cabinet on 1 June 2016, and having considered each of the recommendations made in the Examiner's report and the reasons for them, SLDC's Director of People and Places has granted approval for:

- The recommended changes be made to ensure that the Draft Plan meets the basic conditions set out in legislation;
- The Plan to proceed to referendum;
- The area to which the referendum should apply need not be extended beyond that recommended by the Examiner.

The Plan sets out a shared vision for Heversham and Hincaster Parishes and establishes the type of development supported by these communities. If adopted, it will become part of the development plan for land use and development proposals within Heversham and Hincaster Parishes until 2025.

This statement and the Examiner's report are available for inspection at [www.southlakeland.gov.uk](http://www.southlakeland.gov.uk) and [www.hevershamandhincasternp.co.uk](http://www.hevershamandhincasternp.co.uk) and during normal opening hours at South Lakeland House, Kendal, LA9 4DL and at Milnthorpe library.

Lawrence Conway, Chief Executive, 1 December 2016