

Independent Examination of the Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan: response to Examiner's questions

A response is provided below from Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (hereafter the Council) and Dinnington St John's Town Council (hereafter the Town Council) to the Examiner's questions dated 27 January 2019. Both parties would be pleased to provide further information and clarification as required.

Ref 3.2 - Designation of the Neighbourhood Area – Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The Council can confirm that the Regulation 5, 6 and 7 requirements have been satisfied. Please see further information in the table below.

Table showing Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012) regulation and corresponding Council comment

Regulation Number	Comment by Local Planning Authority, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
Regulation 5	<p>An area application letter dated 17th December 2015 was received from the Neighbourhood Plan Group (here after known as the Town Council). This letter provides a map of the neighbourhood area, a statement why the area is appropriate and a statement that the town council is a relevant body. It can be viewed on the Council's Neighbourhood Planning website at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/planning-development/neighbourhood-plan/2</p> <p>Dinnington St. John's Parish Neighbourhood Area was approved at the Cabinet and Commissioners' Decision Making Meeting 11 July 2016 (a link to the meeting details can be viewed at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/planning-development/neighbourhood-plan/2).</p>
Regulation 6	<p>Public consultation on the neighbourhood area application ran from 20 May to 20 June 2016. A notice of this consultation was placed in the Worksop & Dinnington Guardian. Consultation was carried out through the Council's website and responses could also be submitted by email and letter. A copy of the area application public consultation notification email is provided in Appendix 1.</p>
Regulation 7	<p>Information has been published on the Councils web site including: a map of the neighbourhood area, the name of the neighbourhood area, the name of the relevant body. (Please see the Council's Neighbourhood Planning pages at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/planning-development/neighbourhood-plan/2).</p>

Ref 3.3 - Consultation with Consultation Bodies – Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

Confirmation and evidence has been requested that relevant (Schedule 1) Consultation Bodies that were consulted at Regulation 14 stage by the Town Council were notified as part of the Regulation 16 Publicity by the Council.

I am pleased to attach further information on the Regulation 16 Publicity carried out by the Council in Appendix 2; the bodies shown in Column 2 of this table were also consulted by the Town Council at Regulation 14 stage.

The Council mailing list for the Regulation 16 publicity, comprised of the bodies listed in the “Dinnington St John’s Neighbourhood Plan 2016/2028 - Consultation Statement (June 2019)” plus further contacts held on the Local Plan data base. The Council created a mass mailing list from this consultation. On cross referencing the respective mailing lists from Regulation 14 and 16, four bodies were identified that the Council cannot provide proof of consultation notification (as part of the Regulation 16 Publicity). Further information on these is given in the table below.

Table showing consultees included in the Regulation 14 publicity but not proven to be included in Regulation 16 publicity.

Consultees included in the Regulation 14 publicity but not proven to be included in Regulation 16 publicity	Comment from the Council
ii) Western Power Distribution	Western Power was contacted on 4 February 2020 and they confirmed Western Power does not cover the Dinnington area Northern Power Grid and Northern Power Grid were contacted.
m) National Trust	Due to staff changes the Council cannot provide proof that these organisations were notified, however they were on the list of additional consultees provided to the member of staff responsible for sending out notifications. National Trust is active at Wentworth Woodhouse (which is in the north of the borough) but otherwise there are no entries of properties in their member’s handbook (2019) otherwise in the borough.
o) Churches Together in Rotherham	
q) South Yorkshire Centre for Inclusive Living	

A copy of the email sent to individuals and bodies under the Regulation 16 Publicity by the Council is shown in Appendix 3. Please note for the Regulation 16 Publicity the email was sent to consultees by “blind copy” for data protection purposes in order to protect privacy of email addresses.

Ref 3.4 - SEA/HRA Scoping Report and Addendum 3.4

The Council and the Town Council can confirm (confirmation email available from the Town Council on request), that other than responses from Natural England at Regulation 16 stage and the comments the Council itself submitted on the SEA & Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report (DNP30) no other comments were submitted at Regulation 16 stage concerning either the SEA/HRA Scoping Report(s) or the Addendum.

Ref 4.0 Location Maps

Plans of the proposed local heritage assets listed in Policy BED 1 and a plan (or set of plans) showing the location of all proposed ‘important health, leisure and community facilities’ listed in the policy HLC1 have been requested by the Examiner.

The Town Council provided annotated maps to the Council on 4 February 2020. These will be scanned and emailed to the examiner under separate cover. Digitised copies of the maps can be prepared to assist with the examination if required.

Appendix 1 area application public consultation notification email
Regeneration & Environment

Riverside House| Main Street| Rotherham| S60 1AE

Tel: 01709 254746 E:mail: rachel.overfield@rotherham.gov.uk

Our Ref.

Your Ref.

Please ask for:
Rachel Overfield

20 May 2016

Dear

Notice of neighbourhood area application

Dinnington St. John's Town Council have applied for the designation of Dinnington St. John's Parish as a neighbourhood area.

Comments on the neighbourhood area application (but not the content of the neighbourhood plan) can be made:

Online at: <http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/consultations>

By email to: planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk

By post to: Planning Policy Team, Riverside House, Main Street, Rotherham, S60 1AE

All comments must be received by 5pm on the 20 June 2016.

The Council may share the information provided with Dinnington St. John's Town Council. Responses will be considered in the decision on the neighbourhood area application but replies to individual responses will not be made.

The results of the neighbourhood area application will be reported to the Council's Cabinet/Commissioners Decision Making Meeting as soon as possible after the consultation closes. The Council's final decision will be shown on the Council's website.

For further information please contact the Planning Policy Team on 01709 823869 or email planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

Rachel Overfield

Rachel Overfield
Planning Officer
Planning Policy Team

Have your say on the designation of Dinnington St. John's Parish as a neighbourhood area: Consultation Response Form

1 Your Title	
2 Forename	
3 Surname	
4 Address 1	
5 Address 2	
6 Town/City	
7 Postcode	
8 Your Email	
9 Do you support the application by Dinnington St. John's Town Council for the designation of Dinnington St. John's Parish as a Neighbourhood Area?	Yes */ No* (*delete as appropriate)
10 Please provide any comments or observations on the neighbourhood area proposed by Dinnington St. Johns Town Council (covering the whole of Dinnington St. John Parish).	

Please email completed response forms to planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk or post them to Planning Policy Team, Riverside House, Main St, Rotherham, S60 1TD.

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Thank you for completing this form

Appendix 2 Table showing the list of Schedule 1 bodies consulted in the Regulation 14 stage by the Town Council and Regulation 16 publicity stage by the Council (see Column 2). *Entries in red please see above (Ref 3.3.).*

List of Schedule 1 bodies	List of Schedule 1 bodies consulted for the Regulation 14 stage by the Town Council and for the Regulation 16 publicity stage by the Council (Column 2)
(a)where the local planning authority is a London borough council, the Mayor of London;	n/a
(b)a local planning authority, county council or parish council any part of whose area is in or adjoins the area of the local planning authority;	<p>Barnsley MBC Bolsover DC Derbyshire County Council Doncaster MBC North East Derbyshire DC Nottinghamshire County Council Rotherham MBC Sheffield City Council</p> <p>All Parish Councils in Rotherham and those outside the borough but adjoining Dinnington Parish</p>
Coal Authority	Coal Authority
(d)the Homes and Communities Agency	Homes England
e Natural England	Natural England
f Environment Agency	Environment Agency
(g)the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (known as English Heritage)	English Heritage
(h)Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (company number 2904587);	Network Rail
(i)the Highways Agency;	Highways England
(k)any person— (i)to whom the electronic communications code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106(3)(a) of the Communications Act 2003; and ii)who owns or controls electronic communications apparatus situated in any part of the area of the local planning authority;	<p>BT Group PLC Three EE EMF enquiries</p>

i) a Primary Care Trust established under section 18 of the National Health Service Act 2006 or continued in existence by virtue of that section;	Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group NHS Rotherham
(j) the Marine Management Organisation	Not applicable
(ii) a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 6(1)(b) and (c) of the Electricity Act 1989;	National Grid and Northern Power Grid AMEC Foster Wheeler Ltd (National Grid) Yorkshire Electricity <i>Western Power Distribution (qualifying body only)</i>
(iii) a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 7(2) of the Gas Act 1986 B	British Gas
(iv) a sewerage undertaker; and (v) a water undertaker;	Severn Trent Water Limited Yorkshire Water Services Ltd.
(m) voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit all or any part of the neighbourhood area;	Voluntary Action Rotherham Campaign to Protect Rural England <i>National Trust (see Ref 3.3)</i>
(n) bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the neighbourhood area;	Rotherham Ethnic Minority Alliance
(o) bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the neighbourhood area;	<i>Churches Together in Rotherham (see Ref 3.3)</i>
p) bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the neighbourhood area;	Barnsley and Rotherham Chamber of Commerce
q) bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the neighbourhood area.	<i>South Yorkshire Centre for Inclusive Living (see Ref 3.3)</i>

Appendix 3 A copy of the email sent to individuals and bodies under the Regulation 16 Publicity by the Council

Email notification sent 7 November 2019

Subject: Notification of the submission of Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan Draft Submission Version

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notification of the submission of Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan Draft Submission Version

You have received this notification as someone who has previously registered an interest in Rotherham's Local Plan, who may have been consulted on an earlier draft, or may have an interest in the above document.

Dinnington St John's Town Council are preparing a neighbourhood plan which, if successfully made, will form part of Rotherham's Local Plan and be taken into account when determining planning applications.

The Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan Draft Submission Version and accompanying documents have been submitted to Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council as required under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 ('the Regulations').

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Regulations, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council is now required to publicise the neighbourhood plan proposal.

The following documents have been submitted:

- A copy of the plan proposal (including a map of the area to which the plan relates);
- A consultation statement;
- A basic conditions statement;
- A Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening and Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report, and accompanying Addendum; and
- Supporting evidence base documents.

How can I comment?

The Council is seeking your comments on the Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan proposal from **7 November until 5pm on 20 December 2019**.

You can read the submitted documents and submit representations using our consultation website at <https://rotherham-consult.objective.co.uk/kse>

The documents are also available to view at:

- Dinnington Community Library, Laughton Road, Dinnington, Rotherham, S25 2PP during normal opening hours; and
- the Council's main offices at Riverside House, Main Street, Rotherham, S60 1AE during office hours.

Comments should be made via our consultation website. This is the Council's preferred method for receiving representations. Alternatively you can submit your comments by email to planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk or by post to the address below using the relevant representation form (available from the consultation website or on request from Planning Policy). Please clearly mark your correspondence as "Dinnington St John's Neighbourhood Plan".

Guidance notes to assist completing the representation form and how to use our consultation website are available alongside the consultation documents.

Representations made may include a request to be notified regarding Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council's decision under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulation 2012 whether to accept the Examiner's recommendation and future progress with the plan.

Comments must be received by **5pm on 20 December 2019**.

What happens next?

All duly made representations, along with the neighbourhood plan proposal and accompanying documents, will be submitted to an independent Examiner who will assess whether the plan is in line with legislation and can therefore proceed to a public referendum.

For any further information please contact the Council using the details below:

Phone:	01709 823869	Planning Policy, Rotherham MBC Planning, Regeneration and Transportation Riverside House Main Street ROTHERHAM S60 1AE
Email:	planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk	
Web:	www.rotherham.gov.uk	

Yours faithfully

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Planning, Regeneration and Transport

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