

# ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

17<sup>th</sup> March 2021



## Alton Neighbourhood Plan

- Made February 2016
- Due for review 2021
- Council decision October 2020 to modify housing allocations only
- Scope of Work

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## Scope of Work

In conformity with the Joint Core Strategy, develop and implement a Modification to the existing Alton Neighbourhood Development Plan as soon as possible to update the HO3 residential housing site allocation policies contained within. This is to ensure paragraph 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) is engaged, essentially maintaining full weight of its policies for a further two-year period which will commence on the date of adoption of the modified plan.

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### Timetable

Start-up Meeting November 2020  
 SEA Screening (EHDC) (6 weeks) Ends 5th Feb 2021  
 Approval of Reg 14 consultation by Full Council 10th Feb 2021  
 Regulation 14 consultation 16th Feb to 30th Mar 2021  
 Consultation feedback review process Early April  
 Final draft modification of plan approved by ATC 28<sup>th</sup> April  
 Submit EHDC Reg 15 (1-2 weeks) and Reg 16 (6 weeks) May/June  
 Passed to examiner Early Aug 2021  
 Adopted by EHDC at Full Council October 2021

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## What does this mean?

- Alton Town Council agreed to modify the current Neighbourhood Plan ensure it remains up to date in the eyes of planning inspectors.
- To do this, the council proposes removing any housing sites from the original plan which have now been built, and replacing them with sites likely to be built.
- Both of the chosen sites - Alton brewery and magistrates' court, have already been granted planning permission.
- If agreed, the modification would mean – in the event of an appeal to the secretary of state against a refusal of planning permission – Alton would only need to prove it has identified enough housing sites to meet government targets over three years, instead of the five-year requirement if there wasn't an up-to-date neighbourhood plan.

## Next Steps

- Review the Regulation 14 Consultation
- Prepare the final submission documents
- Re-produce the Full Neighbourhood Plan brochure
- Submit to Full Council 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021
- Present to EHDC for further consultation
- Submission to the examiner.
- Adoption by EHDC as the LPA.



Thank you