

SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

GORING NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN: MODIFICATION STATEMENT

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1. Modification Statement

- 1.1 Regulation 30 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) (“the Regulations”) allows the Council to modify a neighbourhood development plan to correct errors with the permission of the Qualifying Body.
- 1.2 The Council brought the Goring Neighbourhood Plan into legal force under Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) on 18 July 2019; and Delegated to the Head of Planning, in agreement with the Qualifying Body, the correction of any spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors together with any improvements from a presentational perspective.
- 1.3 The Qualifying Body – Goring Parish Council – agreed with the following modifications:

Section	Proposed Change	Reason/Justification
Front cover	Replace “ <i>referendum version</i> ” with <i>Plan Made – July 2019</i>	Factual correction
Whole document	Replace all references to “ <i>referendum version</i> ” with ‘ <i>Plan Made – July 2019</i> ’	Factual correction
Page 1	Replace: “ <i>This is the Referendum Version of the Plan, which has been modified with the</i>	Factual correction

	<p><i>aforementioned recommendations. A summary of these modifications, and the full examiners report are available on the Plan web site</i></p> <p><i>www.goringplan.co.uk.</i></p> <p><i>Timescales permitting, a summary of the updated Plan will be distributed to the village before the referendum. A full copy of the Plan, the Sustainability Appraisal, Consultation Statement and Basic Conditions Statement will be available at the Goring Village Library in Station Road and at the Goring-on-Thames Parish Office in Red Cross Road. The full Plan and associated documents will also be available on the Plan web site.” with ‘This is the made Plan, which has been endorsed by the local community at referendum.’</i></p>	
<p>Page 5 – Summary of the plan</p>	<p>Replace “<i>Goring residents will vote on the Plan in a simple yes/no referendum. If we vote in favour, it will become part of local planning policy and carry full weight. If we vote against, then that is the end of the matter and the Plan will be redundant.</i>” with ‘<i>Goring</i></p>	<p>Factual correction</p>

	<i>residents voted on the Plan in a simple yes/no referendum. As the Plan was endorsed by the majority of those who voted, it has become part of local planning policy and carries full weight.'</i>	
Summary of the Plan Page 6 paragraph 2	<i>Replace "A Sustainability Appraisal has been produced and is available for consultation at the same time as the Plan. This includes an analysis of the sustainability context of Goring and an evaluation of the strategic issues and options that were considered in reaching the Plan's conclusions." with 'A Sustainability Appraisal was produced and was available for consultation at the same time as the Plan. This included an analysis of the sustainability context of Goring and an evaluation of the strategic issues and options that were considered in reaching the Plan's conclusions.'</i>	Factual correction
Summary of the Plan Page 7	<i>Figure 4 is the same as fig 26 and should have same legend – change to "The four allocated sites and reserve site."</i>	Factual correction

<p>Page 9</p>	<p>Delete section detailing next steps.</p> <p><i>“Next steps”</i></p> <p><i>* the first step is now complete</i></p> <p><i>There are three further steps before the Plan can become part of local planning policy.</i></p> <p><i>1. Regulation 16 Consultation – SODG will conduct a further consultation on the updated Plan for a minimum period of 6 weeks. All feedback during this period will be held as evidence.</i></p> <p>2. Independent Examiner – <i>The Plan and all evidence has been considered by an independent examiner appointed by SODC in consultation with the Parish Council. The examiner has reported to the District Council recommending that, subject to modification, the Plan can proceed to referendum.</i></p> <p>Referendum – <i>the residents of Goring will be asked to vote to accept or reject the final Plan. The referendum is expected to be in the summer of 2018. It is determined on the basis of a simple yes/no</i></p>	<p>Factual correction</p>
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	<p><i>vote. If the Plan is accepted by a majority of one or more, it will become part of local planning policy and will have full weight. If the community rejects the Plan it will have no significance as a planning tool and will offer no protection to Goring.”</i></p>	
<p>1.2</p>	<p>Replace: <i>“To be in charge of our own destiny. Undertaking a neighbourhood plan gives the village the chance to take charge and decide its own future as, once it has been approved at a referendum, it becomes part of the statutory development plan. Applications for planning permission must be determined in accordance with the Plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.”</i> With: <i>‘To be in charge of our own destiny. Undertaking a neighbourhood plan gave the village the chance to take charge and decide its own future as, once the plan was approved at a referendum, it became part of the statutory development plan. Applications for planning permission must be determined in accordance with the Plan, unless</i></p>	<p>Factual correction</p>

	<i>material considerations indicate otherwise.'</i>	
1.4	<p>Replace 'referendum' with 'made'.</p> <p>Replace: "Also available are Regulation 16 Submission versions of:" with 'The preparation of the plan was supported by:'</p> <p>Delete: "You can download all of these documents from the Plan web site: www.goringplan.co.uk"</p>	Factual correction
1.6 point 5	<p>Replace "If approved at referendum, it will subsequently become part of the local planning framework and help to protect the village from unsuitable, speculative development" with 'The Plan was endorsed by the local community at referendum and has subsequently become part of the local planning framework and help to protect the village from unsuitable, speculative development.'</p>	Factual correction
1.7	<p>Delete section 1.7</p> <p>"What happens next?</p> <p>The Plan and all evidence have been considered by an independent examiner appointed by SODC in consultation with GPC.</p>	Factual correction

	<p><i>The examiner has reported to the District Council recommending that, subject to modification, the Plan can proceed to referendum.</i></p> <p><i>The residents of the Parish of Goring-on-Thames will be asked to vote to accept or reject the final Plan. The referendum is expected to be in 2019. It is determined on the basis of a simple yes/no vote. If the Plan is accepted by a majority of one or more, it will become part of local planning policy and will have full weight. If the community rejects the Plan it will have no planning significance and will offer no protection to Goring.”</i></p>	
4 – The process	<p>Update figure to reflect the fact that the plan is now made.</p> <p>Replace “<i>Bring the Plan into effect</i>” with ‘Plan Made - July 2019’</p>	Factual correction
6.3 – Figure 26 label	Add ‘and reserve site’ after “sites”	Factual correction
Policy.01 on page 35 and Appendix 1. Policies table on page 120	Replace "policy.10" with ‘Policy.10’	Typographical correction

Page 35 Section 5.1.3	Replace " <i>It is pertinent, however.</i> " with ' <i>It is pertinent, however,</i> '	Typographical correction
6.3.4 Figure 44 label	Replace "GNP2" with 'GNP10'	Factual correction
Page 66. Policy.10	Replace: " <i>This is not be developed</i> " with ' <i>This is not to be developed</i> '	Grammatical correction
Appendix 1. Page 125	Replace " <i>If that under-provision occurs it should</i> " with ' <i>If that under-provision occurs this site should</i> '	Factual correction

1.4 The Council agrees to make the modifications outlined in paragraph 1.3. These modifications are considered necessary for the purposes of correcting minor spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors. These modifications have been incorporated into the made version of the Goring Neighbourhood Development Plan.

1.5 This Modification Statement and the made version of the Goring Neighbourhood Plan can be inspected at:

Reception South Oxfordshire District Council 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, OX14 4SB	Mon - Thurs, 8.30am - 5pm and Friday, 8.30am - 4.30pm
Goring-on-Thames Parish Council Old Jubilee Fire Station Red Cross Road Goring on Thames Reading RG8 9HG	Usually open to the public on Mondays from 2pm to 5pm and on Wednesdays from 10am to 1pm; other times by appointment. It is always advisable to ring first (01491) 874444 as there is often only one member of staff who may occasionally need to be elsewhere.

1.6 A copy of this Modification Statement and the made Goring Neighbourhood Plan has been sent to:

- The qualifying body, namely Goring Parish Council
- The persons the council previously notified of the making of the plan

Authorised by: Adrian Duffield
Head of Planning

Signed: 

Date: 29/10/2019