

**EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL PLAN
COMMITTEE HELD ON 7 NOVEMBER 2016**

90. Adoption of Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Commercial Services providing details of the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan.

Karen Syrett, Place Strategy Manager, presented the report and responded to Councillors' questions. Karen explained that in 2013 the Council had designated the area for the purpose of preparing the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan. This included the whole of Myland parish and, following the 2016 Boundary Review, an additional area of Braiswick and a small area which was within the Highwoods Ward. Public consultation had been undertaken which included a household survey which received almost 800 responses and informed the following aspects of the plan:

- Housing should be of quality design and meet all needs;
- Education should cater for all needs in step with growth;
- Employment should be supported at a local level;
- Environment should be protected and enhanced where possible;
- Social amenity should meet the community's needs;
- Sport and leisure should be available as key to health and well-being;
- Roads and transport options should be available and effective.

A pre-submission draft consultation was also undertaken in May/June 2015 as well as a Submission consultation in January/February 2016.

The Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan was examined during April and May 2016 and, subject to minor amendments, the independent examiner had found that the plan satisfied all the Basic Conditions and recommended that the plan proceed to Referendum. The Referendum on the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan was held on 15 September 2016 with 1,070 (87.4%) in favour of the plan and 154 against.

Members of the Committee acknowledged the work required to bring the Plan to fruition and welcomed the adoption of this and the Boxted Neighbourhood Plan which would make Colchester the first Essex authority to adopt Neighbourhood Plans.

RECOMMENDED to Council that, following its approval at examination and referendum, the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan be made (adopted) following which the Plan will become part of Colchester Borough Council's Local Development Plan.