

Mid Suffolk District Council

Beyton Neighbourhood Plan 2018 – 2037

Focused consultation exercise (August 2023)



Independent examination of the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan (the Plan) commenced on 14 June 2023.

On the 19 June, the Examiner wrote to both Parish and District Council to seek clarity on a number of matters. These included a question relating to supporting evidence for the proposed Area of Local Landscape Sensitivity (ALLS) and to some discrepancies between maps showing some of the proposed Local Green Spaces (LGS). While neither issue was significant, it was recommended that a short period of consultation be undertaken on these proposed solutions. That consultation took place between Friday 4 August and Friday 18 August 2023.

In total, 6 representations were received and copies of these are attached.

| Ref No. | Consultee |
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| (1) | Suffolk County Councillor Penny Otton |
| (2) | Suffolk County Council |
| (3) | Environment Agency |
| (4) | Marine Management Organisation |
| (5) | Water Management Alliance |
| (6) | National Highways |

For reference purposes only, a late representation was also received from Historic England. Their letter states that: “*Historic England does not have any comments to make regarding the proposal to amend some proposed Local Green Space area boundaries or the Special Landscape Area Appraisal.*”, and refers us “*to any detailed comments [they] may have made at earlier stages of the plan’s production including Regulation 14, 16 and where it was required, SEA screening/scoping and draft report stages*”

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(1) SCC COUNCILLOR PENNY OTTON

E from: Penny Otton (SCC Councillor)
Rec'd: 6 August 2023
Subject: RE: Beyton N'hood Plan – Focused consultation event

Dear ...

Happy to support as it is essential Beyton retains much of its “green” spaces.

SCC Cllr Penny Otton

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From: BMSDC Community Planning <communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk>
Sent: 04 August 2023 10:30
To: BMSDC Community Planning <communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk>
Subject: Beyton N'hood Plan - Focused consultation event (Ends 18 Aug)

This email has been sent for and on behalf of Independent Examiner of the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan.

Dear Sir / Madam

We are contacting you because you are a statutory consultee or because you or your client have previously expressed an interest in the **Beyton Neighbourhood Plan**.

Today, we begin a focused two-week consultation on two matters relating to this plan. Full details are set out in the attached letter.

If you wish to make a comment, please note that this must arrive by no later than 4:00pm on Friday 18 August 2023.

Yours faithfully

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(2) SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

Date: 18 August 2023
Enquiries to: Georgia Teague
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Spatial Planning Policy Team,
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Suffolk,
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Dear Mr Bryant,

Focused Consultation of the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for consulting Suffolk County Council (SCC) on this focused consultation for Beyton neighbourhood plan.

SCC has no comments to make in regard to this consultation.

Yours sincerely,

Georgia Teague
Planning Officer
Growth, Highways, and Infrastructure

(3) ENVIRONMENT AGENCY



Paul Bryant
Babergh and Mid Suffolk District
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Our ref: AE/2023/128668/01-L01
Your ref: Beyton NHP
Date: 18 August 2023

Dear Paul

FOCUSED CONSULTATION EVENT

BEYTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA

Thank you for your consultation dated 4th August 2023. We have reviewed the documents as submitted and have no comments to make on these particular documents.

We look forward to being consulted on other aspects of the Neighbourhood plan in the future.

Yours sincerely

Mr Giles Ward
Planning Officer

Direct e-mail planning.eastanglia@environment-agency.gov.uk

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(4) MARINE MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION

E from: Consultations.MMO@marinemanagement.org.uk
Rec'd: 16 August 2023
Subject: Beyton N'hood Plan - Focused consultation event

Good morning,

Thank you for your invitation to participate in the consultation for changes to Beyton Neighbourhood Plan.

No further comment is required from the MMO regarding the review given your proximity to the marine environment. We do however advise that you consider any relevant policies within the [East Marine Plan Documents](#) in regard to areas within the plan that may impact the marine environment, including the tidal extent of any rivers. We recommend the inclusion of the East Marine Plans when discussing any themes with coastal or marine elements.

When reviewing the East Marine Plans to inform decisions that may affect the marine environment, please take a whole-plan approach by considering all marine plan policies together, rather than in isolation.

For further information, a copy of the standard response is attached.

Many thanks for the opportunity to comment,

Louise Feavyour

East Coastal Marine Planner | Marine Management Organisation

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Standard Response:

Consultation response - PLEASE READ

Thank you for including the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) in your recent consultation submission. The MMO will review your document and respond to you directly should a bespoke response be required. If you do not receive a bespoke response from us within your deadline, please consider the following information as the MMO's formal response.

Kind regards,
The Marine Management Organisation

Marine Management Organisation Functions

The MMO is a non-departmental public body responsible for the management of England's marine area on behalf of the UK government. The MMO's delivery functions are: marine planning, marine licensing, wildlife licensing and enforcement, marine protected area management, marine emergencies, fisheries management and issuing grants.

Marine Planning and Local Plan development

Under delegation from the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (the marine planning authority), the MMO is responsible for preparing marine plans for English inshore and

offshore waters. At its landward extent, a marine plan will apply up to the Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) mark, which includes the tidal extent of any rivers. As marine plan boundaries extend up to the level of MHWS, there will be an overlap with terrestrial plans, which generally extend to the Mean Low Water Springs (MLWS) mark. To work together in this overlap, the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) created the [Coastal Concordat](#). This is a framework enabling decision-makers to co-ordinate processes for coastal development consents. It is designed to streamline the process where multiple consents are required from numerous decision-makers, thereby saving time and resources. Defra encourage coastal authorities to sign up as it provides a road map to simplify the process of consenting a development, which may require both a terrestrial planning consent and a marine licence. Furthermore, marine plans inform and guide decision-makers on development in marine and coastal areas.

Under Section 58(3) of [Marine and Coastal Access Act \(MCAA\) 2009](#) all public authorities making decisions capable of affecting the UK marine area (but which are not for authorisation or enforcement) must have regard to the relevant marine plan and the UK [Marine Policy Statement](#). This includes local authorities developing planning documents for areas with a coastal influence. We advise that all marine plan objectives and policies are taken into consideration by local planning authorities when plan-making. It is important to note that individual marine plan policies do not work in isolation, and decision-makers should consider a whole-plan approach. Local authorities may also wish to refer to our [online guidance](#) and the [Planning Advisory Service: soundness self-assessment checklist](#).

We have also produced a [guidance note](#) aimed at local authorities who wish to consider how local plans could have regard to marine plans. For any other information please contact your local marine planning officer. You can find their details on our [gov.uk page](#).

See [this map on our website to locate](#) the marine plan areas in England. For further information on how to apply the marine plans and the subsequent policies, please visit our [Explore Marine Plans](#) online digital service.

The adoption of the [North East, North West, South East, and South West Marine Plans](#) in 2021 follows the adoption of the [East Marine Plans](#) in 2014 and the [South Marine Plans](#) in 2018. All marine plans for English waters are a material consideration for public authorities with decision-making functions and provide a framework for integrated plan-led management.

Marine Licensing and consultation requests below MHWS

Activities taking place below MHWS (which includes the tidal influence/limit of any river or estuary) may require a [marine licence](#) in accordance with the MCAA. Such activities include the construction, alteration or improvement of any works, dredging, or a deposit or removal of a substance or object. Activities between MHWS and MLWS may also require a local authority planning permission. Such permissions would need to be in accordance with the relevant marine plan under section 58(1) of the MCAA. Local authorities may wish to refer to our [marine licensing guide for local planning authorities](#) for more detailed information. We have produced a [guidance note](#) (worked example) on the decision-making process under S58(1) of MCAA, which decision-makers may find useful. The licensing team can be contacted at: marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk.

Consultation requests for development above MHWS

If you are requesting a consultee response from the MMO on a planning application, which your authority considers will affect the UK marine area, please consider the following points:

- The UK Marine Policy Statement and relevant marine plan are material considerations for decision-making, but Local Plans may be a more relevant consideration in certain circumstances. This is because a marine plan is not a 'development plan' under the [Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004](#). Local planning authorities will wish to consider this when determining whether a planning application above MHWS should be referred to the MMO for a consultee response.

- It is for the relevant decision-maker to ensure s58 of MCAA has been considered as part of the decision-making process. If a public authority takes a decision under s58(1) of MCAA that is not in accordance with a marine plan, then the authority must state its reasons under s58(2) of the same Act.
- If the MMO does not respond to specific consultation requests then please use the above guidance to assist in making a determination on any planning application.

Minerals and Waste Local Plans and Local Aggregate Assessments

If you are consulting on a minerals and waste local plan or local aggregate assessment, the MMO recommends reference to marine aggregates, and to the documents below, to be included:

- The [Marine Policy Statement \(MPS\)](#), Section 3.5 which highlights the importance of marine aggregates and its supply to England's (and the UK's) construction industry.
- The [National Planning Policy Framework \(NPPF\)](#), which sets out policies for national (England) construction mineral supply.
- [The minerals planning practice guidance](#) which includes specific references to the role of marine aggregates in the wider portfolio of supply.
- [The national and regional guidelines for aggregates provision in England 2005-2020](#) predict likely aggregate demand over this period, including marine supply.

The minerals planning practice guidance requires local mineral planning authorities to prepare Local Aggregate Assessments. These assessments must consider the opportunities and constraints of all mineral supplies into their planning regions – including marine sources. This means that even land-locked counties may have to consider the role that marine-sourced supplies (delivered by rail or river) have – particularly where land-based resources are becoming increasingly constrained.

If you wish to contact the MMO regarding our response, please email us at consultations@marinemanagement.org.uk or telephone us on 0208 0265 325.

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(5) WATER MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE

E from: Water Management Alliance
Rec'd: 4 August 2023
Subject: RE: Beyton N'hood Plan – Focused consultation event

Good Morning,

Thank you for your consultation on the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan Review. The parish of Beyton lies outside the district of the East Suffolk Water Management Board, as well as the Board's wider watershed catchment, therefore the Board has no comments to make.

Kind Regards,



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07 August 2023

Via email to: communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam,

DRAFT BEYTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2018-2037– FOCUSED CONSULTATION ON
a. Special Landscape Area Appraisal (supporting evidence document)
b. minor amendments to some proposed Local Green Space area boundaries

Thank you for your correspondence, received on 04 August 2023, notifying National Highways of the consultation above.

National Highways is responsible for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Strategic Road Network (SRN) in England on behalf of the Secretary of the State. In the area within and surrounding the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan, we have responsibility for the trunk road A14, part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN).

Previously, we have reviewed and sent our comment related to the Beyton Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16, dated 28 March 2023. With this current consultation, there are two parts-

- a) In relation to the focus consultation on the special landscape area appraisal, National Highways do not have any comment.
- b) For the proposed minor amendments to some proposed Local Green Space Area boundaries, such as, BTN11-4, BTN11-5, and BTN11-11 within the Beyton's neighbourhood plan, will not have a significant impact on the operation of the SRN. National Highways will not have any objection on that.

We do not have any more comments on this.



Please contact us at PlanningEE@nationalhighways.co.uk if you require any clarification.

Yours faithfully,

S. H.
Shamsul Hoque
Assistant Spatial Planner

Standing advice to the local planning authority

The Climate Change Committee's [2022 Report to Parliament](#) notes that for the UK to achieve net zero carbon status by 2050, action is needed to support a modal shift away from car travel. The NPPF supports this position, with paragraphs 73 and 105 prescribing that significant development should offer a genuine choice of transport modes, while paragraphs 104 and 110 advise that appropriate opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport should be taken up.

Moreover, the build clever and build efficiently criteria as set out in clause 6.1.4 of [PAS2080](#) promote the use of low carbon materials and products, innovative design solutions and construction methods to minimise resource consumption.

These considerations should be weighed alongside any relevant Local Plan policies to ensure that planning decisions are in line with the necessary transition to net zero carbon.