



COUNCIL

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Subject: Adoption of the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review

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Executive Summary:

This report sets out the details in support of the recommendation(s) that the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review be adopted by the Council.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- 1) That Members formally agree to adopt (make) the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.**
- 2) That the newly adopted (made) Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review June 2026, replaces the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan adopted May 2017, to form part of the West Lindsey Development Plan for Saxilby with Ingleby parish area.**

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report seeks Members' approval to adopt (make) the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review (SINPR) as part of the West Lindsey Development Plan. The report follows the SINPR's successful referendum which was held on 6 May 2026.
- 1.2 The SINPR would be the fifth review of a NP to be adopted within the district. There are six other NPs being reviewed, all at different stages of preparation.

2. Background

- 2.1 NPs were introduced in the Localism Act 2011. They are important and powerful tools that give parish and town councils the statutory planning powers to shape how their communities develop. A NP is a document written by parish/town councils that sets out planning policies for a parish area which are used to help decide planning applications.
- 2.2 There are legal steps to creating a NP, for the first time, which must be followed, and they are: area designation, plan preparation, consultation, examination, referendum, and finally adoption (making).
- 2.3 Where a NP is being reviewed it does not need to redesignate its area. For later steps, if the review involves material modifications which change the nature of the NP it would require examination and referendum. A referendum is not required for a NP review which includes material modifications, but they do not change the nature of the NP. For a NP which has only minor modifications there is no requirement for an examination, referendum or readopting of the NP. It would be authorised under the scheme of officer delegation.
- 2.4 Following a successful examination and/or referendum, it is a requirement that the NP should be adopted by Full Council for it to formally become part of the West Lindsey Development Plan for that NP area alongside the Local Plan. In the case of a NP review, this would see it replacing the original NP for that area.
- 2.5 As part of the Development Plan, the adopted NP would be given full weight in helping determine future planning applications within its parish. Planning law requires that applications for planning permission be determined in accordance with the Development Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

3. Decision & Reasoning

- 3.1 Having completed preparation and consultation steps on the SINPR, Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council (PC) submitted the plan to the Council for examination in mid-2025 and comments were invited from the public and stakeholders.

- 3.2 The Council, in agreement with the PC, appointed an independent examiner to determine whether the SINPR met legal requirements and, as it was a NP review, if an examination was sufficient or if it should also go to a referendum.
- 3.3 The Examiner’s Report concluded that the SINPR met legal conditions, and that subject to the modifications proposed in the report, the SINPR should proceed to a referendum, as it contained significant changes to the original plan. The SINPR was examined alongside the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and was prepared in accordance with EU obligations or Convention rights.
- 3.4 The Examiner’s Report was considered under the Council’s delegated powers, and it was agreed that the SINPR should proceed to a referendum and if successful should be recommended for adoption (making) by the Council.
- 3.5 The SINPR referendum met the requirements of the Localism Act 2011. It was held on 6 May 2026 in Saxilby with Ingleby parish and posed the question:

‘Do you want West Lindsey District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Saxilby with Ingleby to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?’

- 3.6 At the referendum 90.71% of residents who voted were in favour of the SINPR. Legislation requires that the Council must make the NP if more than half of those voting have voted in favour of it. Greater than 50% of those who voted were in favour of the SINPR being used to help decide planning applications in the plan area.

The results of the referendum were:	Votes Recorded	Percentage
Number of votes cast in favour of ‘yes’	635	90.71%
Number of votes cast in favour of ‘no’	64	9.14%
Number of ballot papers rejected	1	0.15%

Electorate	3899
Ballot Papers Issued	700
Turnout	17.95%

- 3.7 In accordance with national planning guidance, an adopted (made) SINPR should be given full weight in the determination of planning applications within the parish area.
- 3.8 West Lindsey District Council strongly supports parish/town councils with their NPs. With the adoption of the Saxilby with Ingleby NP Review, West Lindsey will continue to have 27 adopted NPs covering a large part of the district. For the latest on NPs in West Lindsey please go to:

[Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan | West Lindsey District Council](#)

4 Alternative Option

Option	Reason for not recommending
To not adopt the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review	<p>This would be contrary to Neighbourhood Planning Regulations.</p> <p>Where a referendum results in a majority Yes vote (over 50%) the Council should make the neighbourhood plan.</p>

ASSOCIATED IMPLICATIONS

Legal:

This work is a duty under the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

Regulation 18A of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, stipulates that a neighbourhood plan (NP) must be made (adopted) within eight weeks of the referendum, which was held on 6 May 2026. This requirement will be met if the Council adopts the Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan Review (SINPR) at its meeting on 29 June 2026.

Financial: FIN-37-27-LT-AP

For neighbourhood plan reviews requiring an examination and new referendum the Council receives a grant of £20k from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to help support its neighbourhood planning role in the district. A claim of £20k will be submitted for the SINPR when the funding window is open.

Staffing:

Internal resources are in place to deal with neighbourhood planning and therefore there are no HR implications.

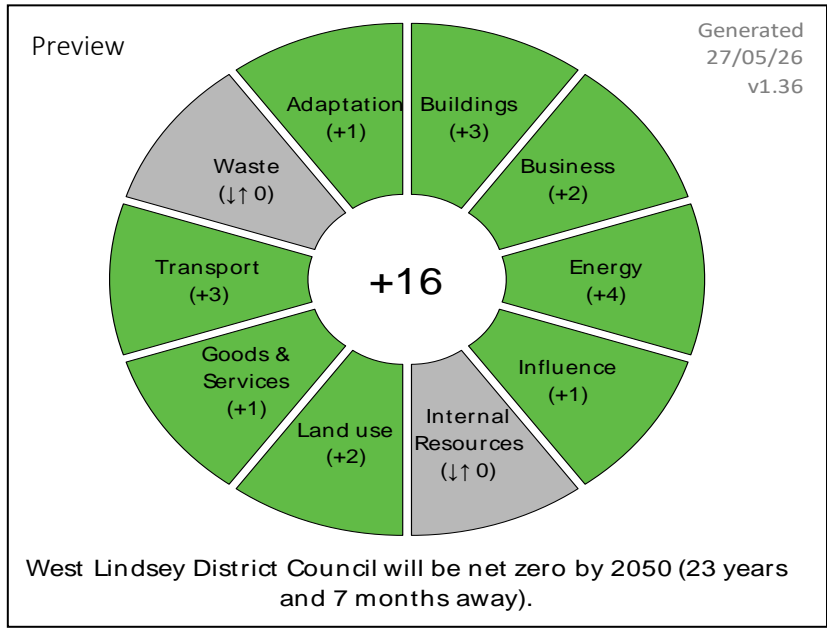
Equality and Diversity including Human Rights:

The SINPR has been examined under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations for any issues relating to equality and diversity.

Data Protection Implications: n/a

Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:

The SINPR scored well when it was evaluated using the Council’s Climate, Environment, and Assessment tool. Please see below. The SINPR’s support for active travel and small-scale renewable energy development was positively received.



The SINPR has been the subject of a Strategic Environmental and Habitats Regulations Assessment Report which concluded that the SINPR would be unlikely to give rise to any significant effects on protected sites.

Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:

The SINPR expects new buildings and spaces to be designed to be inclusive and accessible and can be used safely and easily, and with dignity for all.

Health Implications:

The SINPR protects local green spaces within the parish which are used for sports and informal recreation that help improve the health and well-being of the local population.

Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

[Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Plan | West Lindsey District Council](#)

Risk Assessment : n/a

Call in and Urgency:

Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)

Yes

No

x

Key Decision:

A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications

Yes

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No