

North Northamptonshire Local Development Framework

WELLINGBOROUGH TOWN CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.

Notice of submission of documents and information to the Secretary of State

Subject matter and area covered:

The Borough Council has prepared the Wellingborough Town Centre Area Action Plan (the Plan), which has now been submitted to the Secretary of State for examination. This notice provides details about the Plan, as well as information on accompanying documents, where to view the documents and how to make representations. Once adopted, the Plan will form part of the Development Plan for the Borough.

The Development Plan forms the basis for decisions about the use and development of land in the area. The Plan will set the direction for the future development of the town centre to 2021 and includes specific proposals for key areas of change as well as more general planning policies for the town centre. The area to be covered by the Plan is the town centre as defined on the Proposals Map that forms part of the Plan.

Where to view the Plan and supporting documents:

The Plan, the accompanying sustainability appraisal report, the consultation statement and other supporting documents are available for inspection:

- during normal opening hours at the Croyland Abbey offices of the Borough Council and at public libraries throughout the Borough; and
- on the Borough Council's website at: <http://www.wellingborough.gov.uk/towncentreaap>.

Alternatively the documents are available free of charge on a CD or can be purchased in paper form from either the Business Support Unit on 01933 231756 or from reception at the Croyland Abbey offices of the Borough Council in Tithe Barn Rd, Wellingborough.

Period for representations:

Representations on the Plan are now invited. These must be received during the 6 week statutory consultation period which commences on 26th June and ends on 7th August 2008. Please note that representations cannot be treated as confidential and will be made available for public viewing.

Address for representations and notification of examination and adoption:

Representations should be made on-line at: <http://www.wellingborough.gov.uk/towncentreaap>
Alternatively, copies of the response form can be obtained from the Business Support Unit or Croyland Abbey reception. Representations may be accompanied by a written request to be notified at a specified address of the publication of the Inspector's recommendations following the examination and/or the adoption of the Plan. Written representations and requests to be notified of the examination and/or adoption should be sent to: Planning Policy, Borough Council of Wellingborough, Council Offices, Swanspool House, Doddington Rd, Wellingborough NN8 1BP.

Exhibitions:

An exhibition on the town centre proposals will be held during July: in the Swansgate Centre on 4th and the morning of 5th; in Wellingborough Library from 8th -19th; in Sainsbury's store from 21st – 27th; and in Morrison's on 30th and 31st. The exhibitions in the Swansgate Centre and Morrison's will be staffed by officers of the Borough Council. An information evening will also be held at the

Tithe Barn, Wellingborough on the 7th July with a 'drop in' session from 5pm- 6.30pm followed by a presentation and question and answers session commencing at 6.30pm. If you would like to attend the presentation, please contact the Growth and Development Team to register your place. (growthanddevelopment@wellingborough.gov.uk or 01933 231989/85).

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