Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan 2020

Adoption Statement

In accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Regulation 26 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, and Regulation 16 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, notice is hereby given that Staffordshire Moorlands District Council adopted the Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan 2020 on 9th September 2020.

The Local Plan 2020 was the subject of an independent examination conducted by Mark Dakeyne BA (Hons) MRTPI the Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. The Examination hearings were held in October 2018 and February 2020. The Inspectors' Report was issued on 18 June 2020 and concluded with the recommended main modifications set out in the Appendix; the Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan satisfies the requirements of Section 20(5) of the 2004 Act and meets the criteria for soundness in the National Planning Policy Framework. The adopted Local Plan 2020 incorporates all the main modifications set out in the appendix to the Inspectors' Report, as well as additional minor modifications agreed by the Council. The Local Plan covers the administrative area of Staffordshire Moorlands District Council excluding the area within the Peak District National Park.

All documents including the Adopted Local Plan, the Inspector's Report with main modifications, Sustainability Appraisal Report and Sustainability Appraisal Post Adoption Statement can be viewed on the Council's website at: www.staffsmoorlands.gov.uk/

In line with current advice from the Government and Public Health England on the COVID-19 outbreak, Council Offices are currently closed please check the Council's website for up to date details. Local libraries have begun a phased re-opening with Covid-19 measures in operation please see details on Staffordshire County Council's website. Documents will be made available at these locations as soon as is practicable.

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan 2020 may make an application under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to the High Court on the grounds that the document is not within the appropriate power and/or a procedural requirement has not been complied with. An application may not be made without the leave of the High Court, and an application for leave must be made no later than the end of a period of six weeks from the date of the adoption of this Local Plan 21st October 2020. A copy of this Adoption Statement will be sent to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.