

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CONSULTATION ON THE MEPAL NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - REGULATION 16 – THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012 (AS AMENDED)

On Friday 13th October 2023, Mepal Parish Council formally submitted its Neighbourhood Plan to East Cambridgeshire District Council for independent examination, which includes a final round of public consultation. The plan sets out a vision for the future of Mepal Parish and planning policies that will be used to determine planning applications locally (within the Mepal Neighbourhood Area).

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (as amended), East Cambridgeshire District Council is inviting comments on the draft Mepal Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents for just over the minimum required 6 weeks. The consultation period will be from **Thursday 2nd November to Friday 15th December 2023**.

The consultation is open to anyone to submit their representations.

The draft Mepal Neighbourhood Plan and accompanying submission documents are available to download from the Document Library on the Mepal Neighbourhood Plan page on our website at <https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/mepal-neighbourhood-plan>. A paper copy of the draft Mepal Neighbourhood Plan is available for inspection at East Cambridgeshire District Council's customer service centre during normal opening times.

To make a representation on the draft Mepal Neighbourhood Plan, it should be in writing:

- via email to: planningpolicy@eastcambs.gov.uk; or
- by post to: Strategic Planning Team, East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely CB7 4EE

All comments must be received on or before **15 December 2023**. Late representations will not be accepted.

Once the consultation period has ended, the Neighbourhood Plan and other supporting material, together with the representations received, will be considered by an independent Examiner. Further details on the Examiner and the examination process will be made available in due course.

Requests to be notified of ECDC's decision under regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, which relates to the making of the neighbourhood plan after the examination has concluded, may be submitted via email to planningpolicy@eastcambs.gov.uk.

East Cambridgeshire District Council will process the information you provide in a manner that is compatible with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) and the Council's Privacy Notice, available on our website at <https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/notices/privacy-notice>.

Please be aware that all representations received by the authority will be made publicly available (in due course) on the ECDC website. These will be identifiable by name and, where applicable, organisation.