<u>Decision Statement - Holton le Clay Neighbourhood Development</u> <u>Plan</u>

In accordance with Regulation 18 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, East Lindsey District Council has produced this 'Decision Statement' with regard to Holton le Clay Neighbourhood Development Plan (HLCNP), as submitted by Holton le Clay Parish Council.

The HLCNP has been subject to independent examination and East Lindsey District Council confirms that the Plan will now proceed to referendum.

The Plan has been modified in line with the Inspector's recommendations and will proceed to a public referendum on Thursday 6th May 2021.

The Plan, its background documents, the Inspector's Report and the decision statement can be viewed on the Council's website at https://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/article/6131/Holton-le-Clay-Neighbourhood-Development-Plan

Background

The Holton le Clay Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared by a Steering Group on behalf of Holton le Clay Parish Council. The Plan has been subject to consultation, by the Steering Group, throughout its preparation and was formally submitted to East Lindsey District Council in 2018 and was subject to a formal 6 week period of consultation from 15th March 2018 to 26th April 2018.

An independent Inspector was appointed on 9th October 2018 to carry out an examination of the Plan to ensure that it meets the Basic Conditions and to determine whether the Plan should proceed to referendum. The basic conditions are:

- Having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State it is appropriate to make the neighbourhood plan;
- The making of the neighbourhood plan contributes to the achievement of sustainable development;
- The making of the neighbourhood plan is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the authority;
- The making of the neighbourhood plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations;
- Prescribed conditions are met in relation to the neighbourhood plan and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with the proposal for the plan.

The Inspector has formally recommended changes that will enable the Plan to meet the Basic Conditions and, with those changes, the Plan can proceed to referendum. Following that report, East Lindsey District Council approved the Holton le Clay Neighbourhood Plan, as modified by the Examiner's recommendations, is satisfied that the Plan meets the Basic Conditions and will hold a referendum on Thursday 6th May 2021.