

Portishead Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

A neighbourhood planning referendum will be held for the Portishead Neighbourhood Plan on **Thursday 20 July 2023**.

The question to be asked at the referendum will be:

"Do you want north Somerset Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Portishead to help it decide planning applications in the Portishead neighbourhood area?

The referendum area is the neighbourhood area of Portishead (which is the same as the parish boundary for Portishead) and is identified on the map which is included with this information statement.

A person is entitled to vote in this referendum on Thursday 20 July 2023 if:

- He/she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the referendum area; and
- His/her qualifying address is in the referendum area. A persons qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be registered.

The referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the referendum is £3542.77 The number of persons entitled to vote in the referendum by reference to which the limit has been calculated is 20,013. The referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

The specified documents are:-

- Referendum version of the Portishead Neighbourhood Plan
- Report of the independent examiner
- Summary of representations submitted to the independent examiner
- Statement by the local planning authority that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and other necessary provisions (Decision Statement)
- Statement that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum (Information for voters)

These documents can be viewed at:

- www.n-somerset.gov.uk/portisheadplan
- <u>Portishead Library</u>, Horatio House, 24 Harbour Road, Portishead BS20
 7AL (see library website for opening hours)
- North Somerset Council, Weston-Library, Town Hall, Walliscote Grove Road, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 1UJ. Monday-Friday 9.3am -6pm; Saturday 9.30-4pm



Portishead Neighbourhood area

