

Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

A Referendum relating to the adoption of the Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Plan will be **Tuesday 19 September 2023**.

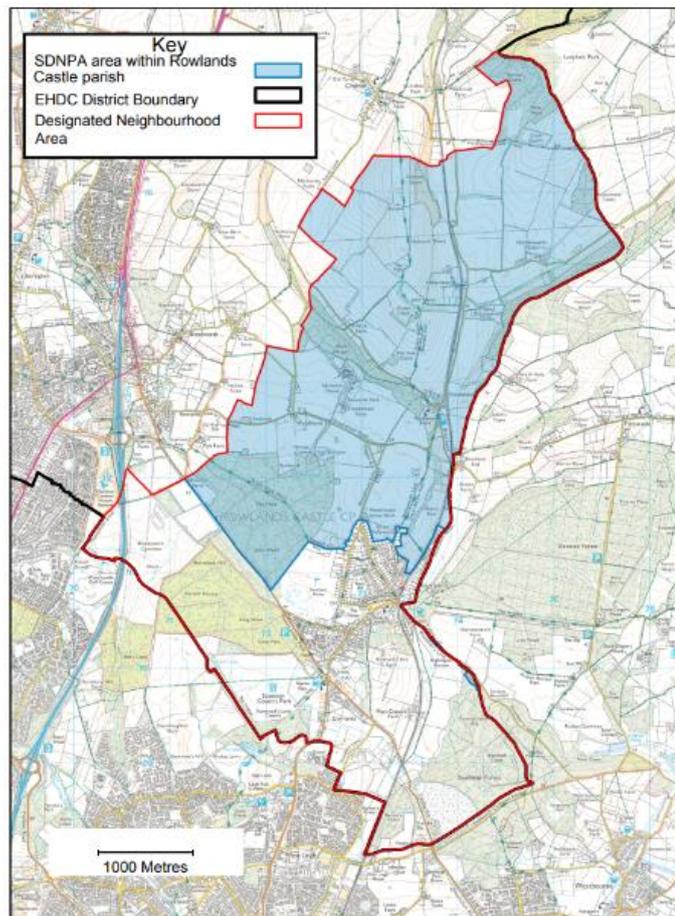
The question which will be asked in the Referendum is:

“Do you want East Hampshire District Council and the South Downs National Park Authority to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Rowlands Castle to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area.”

The Referendum area is shown on the adjacent map.

It is identical to the area which has previously been designated as the Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Designation Area.

Designated Neighbourhood Area: Rowlands Castle



A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 19 September 2023 :

- He or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- His or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area.

A person's 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 £2516 The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 2607.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

A copy of the documents listed below, may be inspected on the District Council's website at <https://www.easthants.gov.uk/planning-services/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/emerging-neighbourhood-plans/rowlands>

Paper copies are also available for inspection, at the council offices of:

- East Hampshire District Council, Penns Place, Petersfield, Hampshire GU31 4EX (Monday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm)
- Rowlands Castle Parish Council, 11 The Green (above Home Hardware Store), Rowlands Castle, PO9 6BW (Tuesday and Thursday 10am-12pm)

The specified documents are:

- The draft Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Plan, as modified;
- The report of the independent examiner into the Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Plan;
- A summary of the written representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- The Decision Statement of East Hampshire District Council that the Rowlands Castle Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions specified by statute and complies with the provision made by or under Section 38A and 38B of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004;
- Statements that sets out general information as to town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum process.

For queries about neighbourhood planning in general, please contact East Hampshire District Council's Planning Policy Team on neighbourhoodplans@easthants.gov.uk or call 01730 234102 or contact South Downs National Park Authority on planningpolicy@southdowns.gov.uk

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