

Copford with Easthorpe Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

A referendum relating to the adoption of the Copford with Easthorpe Neighbourhood Plan will be held on **Thursday 21st September 2023**.

The question which will be asked in the referendum is:

“Do you want Colchester City Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Copford with Easthorpe to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

The referendum area is identified on the map which is included with this Information Statement.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Copford with Easthorpe neighbourhood area.

A person is entitled to vote in the referendum on **Thursday 21st September 2023** if:

- 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 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 **£2,438.29**.

The number of persons entitled to vote in the referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is **1293**.

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

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected on Colchester Borough Council’s website at:

<https://www.colchester.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning/>

<http://www.colchester.gov.uk/elections>

Hard copies may also be inspected at Colchester Town Hall, High Street, Colchester between the hours of 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday.

The specified documents are:

- The Copford with Easthorpe Neighbourhood Development Plan (Referendum Draft);
- The Copford with Easthorpe Neighbourhood Plan Examiners Report;
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- Basic Conditions and Compliance Statement;
- A statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum;
- This Information Statement.

Copford with Easthorpe Neighbourhood Plan Area

