

Myland & Braiswick NP Review - Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16 Consultation – Schedule of Representations

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| Natural England | Natural England does not have any specific comments on the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan. |
| West Bergholt Parish Council | In view of the amount of consultation and activities that have taken place since the Neighbourhood Plan was made, West Bergholt Parish Council supports the revised plan |
| Anglian Water | We have no comments to make on the proposed changes to the plan. We consider that the adopted Colchester Local Plan Section 2 provides the over-arching policy context in relation to climate change, flood risk and water management, sustainable urban drainage systems, renewable energy, water waste and recycling. |
| National Highways | <p>In relation to the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan, our principal interest is in safeguarding the operation of the SRN in the vicinity of the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan area, it should be noted, the Myland Parish is bounded by the A12 to the north-west and in close proximity to the A120 (local SRN managed by National Highways).</p> <p>We understand that a Neighbourhood Plan is required to be in conformity with relevant national and Borough-wide planning policies. Accordingly, the Neighbourhood Plan for Myland and Braiswick is required to be in conformity with the Colchester Borough Council (CBC) Local Plan 2017-2032, Essex County Council Local Plan documents (mineral and waste local plans), the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Development Planning Regulations 2012.</p> <p>We understand the main development requirements/ programmes in the Neighbourhood Plan area are covered by the CBC Local plan, its noted that other than the already existing planning permissions, the plan does not seek to promote any further significant housing developments (relevant policies include HOU1, HOU2 and HOU3, which support policy SP3 of the CBC Local Plan). National Highways would expect to be consulted as and when any new planning applications come forward in the usual way to confirm each application will be assessed by standard procedure in relation to their expected distribution and impact on the SRN.</p> |

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| | <p>Upon the review of the Transport objectives, National Highways agrees with the promotion and encouragement of more sustainable choice of travel options set out as part of policies RAT1, RAT2 and RAT3 (which further support the transport policies covered within the CBC local plan DM20, DM21 and DM22), promoting modal shifts towards sustainable modes, improving accessibility of developments to sustainable modes and improving existing local transport infrastructure.</p> <p>Having reviewed the document, we note that the scale of growth remains negligible to impact the nearby SRN. Any new planning application will be assessed accordingly to consider the impact on the nearby SRN.</p> <p>National Highways therefore consider the limited level of growth proposed across the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan area, will not have a significant impact on the operation of the SRN.</p> <p>We have no further comments to provide and trust the above is useful in the progression of the Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan.</p> |
| <p>Colchester City Council</p> | <p>Myland and Braiswick Neighbourhood Plan Group have worked closely with Colchester City Council during the review of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP). The review of the Neighbourhood Plan has concentrated on key areas identified through survey work (including the Housing Policy and Environment Policies) and on updating references to national (NPPF) and local policy where relevant. Since the Myland and Braiswick NP was made (in 2016) the NPPF has been revised and the Colchester Local Plan (2017-2033) has been adopted. The comments below relate to these key areas.</p> <p><u>Myland Design Statement</u></p> <p>The opportunity has also been taken by the Neighbourhood Plan group to review the recommendations in the Myland Design Statement (MDS) and in some cases recommendations from the MDS have been incorporated into the Neighbourhood Plan policies. There may be benefits in incorporating all the updated recommendations into Policy where these are relevant in influencing planning decisions, but it is recognised that the scope of this review is limited to certain policies.</p> <p>As the Myland Design Statement was adopted as a Planning Guidance Note, it is suggested that references to this in the NP are amended to reflect this.</p> <p>It is suggested that the recommendations from the MDS set out in Appendix A of the Review NP could be updated to reflect the review of the MDS (ie. remove those recommendations under 'Roads,</p> |

Pavements and Footpaths' that are now contrary to ambitions of modal shift from the Appendix).

Essex Coast Recreational Disturbance and Avoidance Mitigation (RAMS) Policy – it is suggested for consistency that the RAMS Policy is included in the Myland & Braiswick NP. Although not the case when the Myland & Braiswick NP was made in 2016, the inclusion of the standard worded policy in all NPs is now included in the Council's NP guidance which has been jointly prepared and agreed between the Council and Natural England (for this matter) in the interests of ensuring full compliance with the Habitats Regulations. The guidance has been updated to reflect the position that both the Local Plan and the [RAMs Strategy SPD](#) are now adopted, with the default position being to continue to include the RAMs Policy in all NPs in Colchester given that the whole administrative area falls within the Zone of Influence. I have attached the suggested model policy below for information:

Essex Coast Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS)

All residential development within the zone of influence of habitats sites will be required to make a financial contribution towards mitigation measures, as detailed in the Essex Coast RAMS 2018-2038, and adopted Supplementary Planning Document, to avoid the adverse in-combination effects of increased recreational disturbance to the Essex coast habitats sites.

Other comments

It is suggested that the Policies are highlighted/put into text boxes so that these can be easily identified throughout the NP.

It is suggested that references to Colchester Borough Council/CBC could be updated to Colchester City Council.

p.1 para 3 – the Plan area is now in Appendix C

p.1 para 5 - Formal review date (2021) is different to the document title

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| | <p>p.10 para 1 - Colchester Local Plan para 7.48 text in adopted Plan slightly differs from the quote on p.10 – 'Colchester is expected to record a 60.6% increase in its population of those age 65 and over.'</p> |
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