



# RAUNDS

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2011 - 2031

# REFERENDUM

**16<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

**Polling Stations open  
7am – 10pm**

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Source: .gov.uk

### **What is neighbourhood planning?**

Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area.

### **What are the benefits to a community of developing a neighbourhood plan?**

Neighbourhood planning enables communities to play a much stronger role in shaping the areas in which they live and work.

### **What is the role of a parish or town council in neighbourhood planning?**

The town or parish council is responsible for neighbourhood planning.

### **Who votes in the referendum?**

People living in the neighbourhood who are registered to vote in local elections will be entitled to vote in the referendum.

### **How is a Neighbourhood Plan adopted?**

If more than 50% of people voting in the referendum support the plan, then the local planning authority must bring it into force.

### **Does a neighbourhood plan have legal status once adopted?**

Once a neighbourhood plan is in force following a successful referendum, it carries real legal weight. Decision makers are obliged to consider proposals for development in the neighbourhood against the neighbourhood plan.

Source [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

To view the Raunds Neighbourhood Plan go to, [www.raunds-tc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan](http://www.raunds-tc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan) or collect a copy of the plan or the short guide from Raunds Town Council offices, Saxon Hall or Raunds Library.

