



RAUNDS

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2011 - 2031

REFERENDUM

16th 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

To view the Raunds Neighbourhood Plan go to, 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.