



## **Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Plan Development Plan - Decision Statement published pursuant to the Localism Act 2011 Schedule 38A(9) and Regulations 19 & 20 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

Lichfield District Council decided by Cabinet Member decision on 14 March 2025 to make the Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Development Plan under Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended). The Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Development Plan now forms part of the Development Plan for Lichfield District.

### **1. Reasons for decision:**

The Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions and its promotion process is compliant with legal and procedural requirements. Paragraph 38A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires the Council to make the Neighbourhood Plan if more than half of those voting in the referendum have voted in favour of the Plan being used to help decide planning applications in the area. The Plan was endorsed by more than the required threshold in the referendum on 13 February 2025.

### **2. Background:**

On 7 December 2019 Mavesyn Ridware Parish Council requested that [the Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Area be designated](#) for the purposes of producing a neighbourhood development plan for the area. Lichfield District Council designated the Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Area on 16 December 2019.

In April 2024 Mavesyn Ridware Parish Council published the draft neighbourhood plan for a six-week consultation, in line with regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Plan was submitted by the Parish Council to Lichfield District Council on 30 August 2024 for assessment by an independent examiner. The Plan (and associated documents) was publicised for consultation by Lichfield District Council for

six weeks between 12 September and 24 October 2024 (the Local Authority publicity consultation). Chris Collison of Planning and Management Ltd was appointed as the Independent Examiner and all comments received at the Local Authority publicity consultation were passed on for their consideration.

The [Examiner's report](#) concluded that, subject to modifications, the Mavesyn Ridware Neighbourhood Plan met the necessary basic conditions (as set out in Schedule 4b (8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by the Localism Act 2011) and subject to these modifications being should proceed to referendum.

A referendum was held on Thursday 13 February 2025, [82% of those who voted were in favour of the Neighbourhood Plan, the turnout was 21%](#). Paragraph 38A (4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended requires that the Council must make the Neighbourhood Plan if more than half of those voting have voted in favour of the plan.

This decision statement can be viewed online on the Lichfield District Council website at: <https://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans/mavesyn-ridware-neighbourhood-plan/1>

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