

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

**Town and Country Planning, England
The Neighbourhood Planning (General)
Regulations 2012 (as amended)**

**WELWYN PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
REGULATION 19 DECISION STATEMENT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council (WHBC) has decided to make (adopt) the Welwyn Parish Neighbourhood Plan (the Plan) under 38A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The Plan now forms part of the adopted Development Plan for Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council.

Reason for this Decision

The Neighbourhood Development 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 Authority to make the Neighbourhood Plan if more than half of those voting in the referendum upon the plan have voted in favour of the plan being used to help decide planning applications in the area.

At a meeting of Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council on 24th February 2026, it was resolved to make the Welwyn Parish Neighbourhood Plan, should the referendum result in a majority vote in favour.

More than half of those voting in the Welwyn Parish Neighbourhood Plan referendum on 7th May 2026 voted in favour of the plan.

A copy of this decision statement is being sent to:

The qualifying body, namely Welwyn Parish Council;
and
to any person who asked to be notified of the decision.

This statement, the made Plan and other associated documents are available to view at <https://www.welhat.gov.uk/homepage/115/neighbourhood-planning>

Hard copies of the Plan and Decision Statement are available at Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council offices (Campus East), Welwyn Parish Council offices and Welwyn library, [available to view during opening hours](#).

If you require further information, please contact the Planning Policy Team at planning.policy@welhat.gov.uk