

**Shropshire Council**  
**Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan – Decision Statement**

**Decision Statement published pursuant to the Localism Act 2011 Schedule 38A (9) and Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

Shropshire Council decided at a meeting of its full Council on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 to ‘make’ the Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan under Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory purchase Act 2004. The Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan now forms part of the Development Plan for Shropshire.

**Decision and reason**

“DECIDED: That Shropshire Council, as the Local Planning Authority ‘makes’ (i.e. adopts) the Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan and brings it into force with immediate effect as part of the Development Plan under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

**Reasons for the Decision**

The Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions and its preparation 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 upon the plan 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 held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

The link to the report considered by the Council is as follows: [Date \(shropshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.shropshire.gov.uk)

A copy of this decision statement is being sent to:

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

**Information on where to view the Neighbourhood Plan and its associated documents**

The Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan, the decision statement and its associated documents are available to view on the Council’s website at: [Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan | Shropshire Council](#)

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