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### **Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Plan – Regulation 18 Decision Statement**

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Following an independent examination of the Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Plan and the receipt of the Examiner's Report, the Council has decided that, subject to the Examiner's proposed specific modifications, the Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to referendum for the following reasons; the Neighbourhood Plan:

- will be compatible with the European Convention of Human Rights, and in particular, to Article 8 (privacy); Article 14 (discrimination); and Article 1 of the first Protocol (Property);
- will not breach, and is otherwise compatible with European Union obligations;
- is not likely to have significant effect on a European designated site or a European Offshore Marine site either alone or in combination with other plans or projects;
- taken as a whole has regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of state and would contribute to the achievement of sustainable development;
- is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Development Plan for the area;
- meets the Basic Conditions; and
- has undergone consultation in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations.

The Council also agreed with the Examiner's recommendation that the referendum of the Neighbourhood Plan should be based on the designated Neighbourhood Area approved by the West Devon Borough Council on 6th November 2014 and Dartmoor National Park on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

This Decision Statement, the Examiner's Report, including the proposed modifications and the Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed on South Hams District Council website: <https://www.neighbourhoodplanning.swdevon.gov.uk/bridestoweandsourton>

If you are unable to gain access to a digital version of the Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Plan contact:-

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To meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 a referendum which poses the question, 'Do you want West Devon Borough Council and Dartmoor National Park to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Bridestowe and Sourton to help it decide planning applications in the Neighbourhood Area?' will be held in the area formally designated as the Bridestowe and Sourton Neighbourhood Area.

For any questions please contact the Neighbourhood Planning Team on 01803 861178 or e-mail to SW-Neighbourhood Planning [NeighbourhoodPlan@swdevon.gov.uk](mailto:NeighbourhoodPlan@swdevon.gov.uk)