

BOLTON BY BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST & SAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WITHDRAWAL STATEMENT 08 November 2017

1. In November 2013 Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley Parish Council agreed to proceed with a Neighbourhood Plan, and the Designated Area was approved by Ribble Valley Borough Council, however following public consultation the decision was reluctantly taken that this Designated Area would exclude Sawley. A Steering Group was set up to take the Plan forward.
2. Open meetings and consultations followed which included a Strategic Environment Assessment.
3. The Neighbourhood Plan Submission Version was issued to Parish Council on Monday 5th September 2016 and approved at Parish Council Meeting 3rd October 2016 to proceed to the 6 week Consultation Stage through Ribble Valley Borough Council. This took place between 23rd November 2016 and 5th January 2017. The Submission version was then sent for Independent Examination.
4. Mr. Neil McGurk BSc(Hons) MCD MBA MRTPI submitted his detailed 45 page Examiner Report to Ribble Valley Borough Council in August 2017 with a number of modifications he recommended to be made to the Submission Plan.
5. Subject to these modifications being made, he recommended to Ribble Valley Borough Council that the Bolton by Bowland and Gisburn Forest Neighbourhood Plan proceed to Referendum Stage.
6. However, Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley Parish Council at the Extraordinary Meeting held on 6th November 2017 considered that the modifications recommended, in particular in regard to housing site allocations, differed too greatly from the Submission Plan. Therefore the resolution was passed by a majority of Councillors to withdraw the Neighbourhood Plan. A formal notice to Ribble Valley Borough Council is appended to this Notice.

Teresa Taylor
Parish Clerk

**BOLTON BY BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST & SAWLEY
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BY EMAIL

08 November 2017

Dear Mr. Hirst

Bolton by Bowland & Gisburn Forest Neighbourhood Plan

May I formally thank you, on behalf of the Parish Council for attending the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting on Monday 6th November. Your concise clarification of the various technical queries which arose was much appreciated.

I wish to notify you, as the Senior Officer of Ribble Valley Borough Council of the majority resolution passed by Bolton by Bolton, Gisburn Forest & Sawley Parish Council at the Extraordinary Meeting held at Sawley Village Hall on 6th November 2017.

The resolution passed was to withdraw the Bolton by Bowland & Gisburn Forest Neighbourhood Plan.

A great deal of hard work has gone into the Plan, at Borough as well as Parish level and consideration will now be needed on the way forward for the Parish. No doubt you and your team will be able to help and advise in due course.

Kind regards

TERESA TAYLOR
Parish Clerk

Clerk to BOLTON by BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST & SAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL
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