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Good Afternoon,

ATE is not a statutory consultee for Neighbourhood Plans. There is guidance available for neighbourhood groups that are developing a Neighbourhood Plan. This explains which transport matters a Neighbourhood Plan can address, including planning for active travel (walking, cycling and wheeling). You can access this on Locality's Neighbourhood Planning website.

Thank you,



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From: Mike Corbett <mike.corbett@runnymede.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 September 2025 09:07

To: Planning Policy <PlanningPolicy@runnymede.gov.uk>

Subject: Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan - Regulation 16 consultation

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Virginia Water Neighbourhood Forum have submitted their draft Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents to Runnymede Borough Council for consideration at an independent examination.

Runnymede Borough Council is satisfied that the submission version of the Plan complies with the relevant legal requirements and can therefore proceed to formal consultation and examination. In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations, the Plan is currently subject to a six-week consultation period from:

Monday 1st September until 11.59pm on Tuesday 14th October 2025.

The Council would like to invite you to view the submitted Neighbourhood Plan proposals and supporting documents, which include:

- Submission Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan including the Design Code
- Map of the Neighbourhood Area
- Basic Conditions Statement
- Consultation Statement
- Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Screening Report.

These documents, and an SEA Screening Determination Notice, can be viewed on the Council's website at: https://www.runnymede.gov.uk/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/3.

The consultation website includes links to the full suite of documents, including the proposed Design Code, policy maps and other evidence base documents, which can collectively be accessed from Virginia Water Neighbourhood Forum's website at: https://virginiawaterplan.org/index.html.

The consultation website describes how to make further comments (representations), should you wish to do so; and where to access hard copies of the documents.

Copies of representations will be submitted to an independent neighbourhood plan examiner in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), for consideration as part of an examination on the Plan. After this stage, further submissions will only be at the request of the examiner, based on the matters and issues he / she identifies through the examination.

Please visit the consultation website for details about how to submit representations to the Council. All representations must be received in writing by the Council's Planning Policy Team no later than 11.59pm on Tuesday 14th October 2025. Any comments received after this time may not be accepted or taken into account.

Representations may include a request to be notified at a specified email / postal address of the Council's decision under Regulation 19 to 'make' (adopt) the Plan, following successful examination and referendum.

All representations submitted to the Council will be processed and held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

Should you require any further information about this consultation then please contact the Planning Policy team at planningpolicy@runnymede.gov.uk or at 01932 425239.

The Council looks forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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