

# Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

## Information Statement

### Background

Two referendums, one Residential Referendum and one Business Referendum relating to the adoption of the Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Plan will be held on Thursday 13 July 2023.

The question which will be asked in both Referendums is:

**“Do you want Birmingham City Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Jewellery Quarter to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area.”**

### The Referendum Area

The Referendum area is identified on the map which is included with this information statement.

The Referendum area is identical to the area which has been designated as the Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Area.

### Residential Referendum

A person is entitled to vote in the residential referendum if on Thursday 13 July 2023

- he or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- his or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A persons qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors, the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be registered.

### Business Referendum

A business is entitled to vote in the business referendum if on Thursday 13 July 2023

- the business is a non-domestic ratepayer in the Referendum area; and
- the business has registered a named voter as their business vote holder on the business voting register.

Where in respect of a hereditament, more than one person is liable for a non-domestic rate as partners or trustees, the business vote holder is the partners or trustees jointly.

Each business vote holder has one vote in the business referendum, irrespective of the number of hereditaments within the referendum area in respect of which he or she is liable for the non-domestic rate.

(All eligible businesses will be invited to register a named voter on the business voting register from Wednesday 3 May 2023).

## Referendum Expenses

The referendum expenses limit that will apply to this Referendum is **£2803.73**.

The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which the limit has been set is 5633 for the residential referendum and 1854 for the business referendum.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures which are similar to those used at local government elections.

## Specified Documents

The specified documents are:

- The Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Development Plan (as modified following examination);
- Report of the independent examiner;
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner;
- A Decision Statement by Birmingham City Council which confirms the Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation;
- This information statement;
- A statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum.
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A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected online: [Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Development Plan website](#)

Paper copies of the specified documents are also available to view at:

- St Paul's Church, St Paul's Square, Birmingham B3 1QZ during weekdays 11:00am to 2:00pm, and;
- Birmingham City Council Woodcock Street Offices (reception area), 10 Woodcock Street, Birmingham B7 4BL on the following days: Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm, Friday: 8:45am to 4:15pm.
- The Library of Birmingham, Centenary Square, Broad Street, Birmingham, B1 2ND, Monday to Tuesday: 11am to 7pm and Wednesday to Saturday: 11am to 5pm.

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# Map of the Jewellery Quarter Neighbourhood Area

