



PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, LOCAL PLANNING, ENGLAND REGULATIONS 2012

BOOTLE AREA ACTION PLAN ADOPTION STATEMENT

The Bootle Area Action Plan Submission Draft July 2024 was submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination on 16 December 2024. The Examination was undertaken by the appointed Planning Inspector, S Dean MA MRTPI, who issued his final report of recommendations to the Council on 15 October 2025 confirming that the Bootle Area Action Plan was sound subject to a number of main modifications set out in the report.

The Council has incorporated all of the modifications and recommendations of the Planning Inspector and formally resolved to adopt the Bootle Area Action Plan, as modified, at its meeting on 15 January 2026.

The Bootle Area Action now therefore forms part of the statutory development plan for the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton under section 38 of the Act with immediate effect, alongside the Sefton Local Plan 2017; Joint Waste Local Plan for Merseyside and Halton; and the Neighbourhood Development Plans for Formby and Little Altcar, Maghull and Lydiate.

The following documents are now available for public inspection free of charge on the Council's website at <https://www.sefton.gov.uk/BootleAAP> and at Bootle library (220 Stanley Road) during its normal opening hours:

- The report of the recommendations of the Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State
- The modifications that were made to the Bootle Area Action Plan pursuant to section 23 (3) of the Act
- The Council's adoption statement under Regulation 26
- The adopted Bootle Area Action Written Statement
- The adopted Bootle Area Action Plan Policies Map
- The sustainability appraisal required under Section 19 of the Act including strategic environmental assessment and equality impact assessment
- The adoption statement required under Regulation 16 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004

Any person aggrieved by the Bootle Area Action Plan may make an application to the High Court under section 113 of the Act on the ground that the document is not within the appropriate power and/or that a procedural requirement has not been complied with. An application may not be made without the leave of the High Court. An application for leave must be made before the end of the period of six weeks beginning with the day after the Council resolved to adopt the Plan.

Further information and copies of the documents can be obtained from the Council's Local Planning Team on request by e-mail at local.plan@sefton.gov.uk, by telephone on 0345 140 0845, subject to a charge for printing and postage.