

## Article 4 direction – Walberswick Quay area – Public consultation

The following is from the Walberswick Parish Council (WPC) in response to the proposed changes to the Article 4 Direction that covers part of the Walberswick Conservation Area, namely the Walberswick Quay area.

The WPC is supportive of the review that ESC is undertaking on the Article 4 directions in the district to ensure that they are compliant with up-to-date legislation and best practice. The WPC is also appreciative of the fact that ESC has taken on our suggestion to review the totality of the Walberswick Conservation Areas (now in two separate pieces) so that both the Harbour and Village Conservation areas can have the same Article 4 direction.

We understand that the current proposal has 3 elements that the WPC very much supports. That is:

1. The Quay Conservation area Article 4 direction is to be retained.
2. The Village Conservation area is being considered for Article 4 coverage.
3. That both conservation areas can be combined and consideration given to putting both under Article 4 direction.

We note also that the proposal includes some updating relating to not distinguishing unpainted from painted, dropping reference to satellite dishes which are no longer current technology and updating advice in relation to heat pumps.

In totality, the WPC is supportive of the actions being proposed. The timing is fortuitous as well as it aligns with the drafting of the Neighbourhood Development Plan for Walberswick that is well underway. We look forward very much to working with ESC's design and heritage team on this important work.