

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development - 29th July 2014

Subject: Parking Standards and Transport Assessments - Supplementary Planning Document

Report by: City Development Manager

Wards affected: All

Key decision: No

Full Council decision: No

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to formally adopt the Parking Standards and Transport Assessments document as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and revoke the Residential Parking Standards SPD (November 2008) and Appendix 9 of the Portsmouth City Local Plan 2001-2011.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development:

- 1. notes the outcome of the public consultations on the Draft Parking Standards - SPD that took place from December 2013 - January 2014 and in July 2014 and agrees the proposed responses (attached as Appendix 1);**
- 2. adopts the Parking Standards and Transport Assessments document as a supplementary planning document (attached as Appendix 2);**
- 3. authorises the City Development Manager to make editorial amendments to the wording and images of the SPD prior to publication, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development. These amendments shall be restricted to correcting errors and formatting and shall not alter the meaning of the document;**
- 4. revokes the Residential Parking Standards SPD (November 2008), and**
- 5. revokes Appendix 9 of the Portsmouth City Local Plan 2001-2011.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The city council has for many years published parking standards that it expects to be met in new development. The current standards for new residential developments are set out in the Residential Parking Standards SPD (November 2008) and for new non-residential developments in Appendix 9 of the Portsmouth City Local Plan 2001-2011.
- 3.2 On the 25th November 2013, the Cabinet member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development approved the draft Parking Standards SPD for consultation. That draft document was created to update the council's parking standards applied to new developments and bring them together into one single document. The single document will replace the Residential Parking Standards SPD (November 2008) and Appendix 9 of the Portsmouth City Local Plan 2001-2011, which are to be revoked.
- 3.3 Public consultation on the draft Parking Standards SPD took place for a six week period between December 2013 and January 2014, with additional consultation in July 2014 (see paragraph 4.3).

4. Reasons for recommendations

- 4.1 The purpose of the Parking Standards and Transport Assessments SPD is to set out:
- standards and design principles for car parking in new residential and non-residential developments;
 - standards and design guidance for cycle parking provision, and
 - guidance on when transport assessments and travel plans will be required to address the transport impacts of proposed developments.
- 4.2 The SPD will sit alongside the Portsmouth Plan as it will supplement the policies contained in that document (specifically policy PCS17) and will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. The SPD also forms part of the city's wider Parking Strategy (as approved by the Cabinet on 2nd December 2013), which deals with parking issues more comprehensively, looking beyond new developments to existing parking provision, Park & Ride and residents parking schemes.
- 4.3 The content of the final version of the SPD has been informed by the public consultation. The council received four (4) responses to the draft SPD, two from local residents and two from planning / transport consultants. Further consultation was undertaken with those four respondents in July 2014, informing them of the proposed changes to the SPD and giving them an opportunity to comment on those changes. A summary of the comments received and changes made to the SPD (including original comments and further comments received) are set out in the consultation report (Appendix 1).

4.4 The main changes to the document (other than the title) relate to providing further clarity around the expected standards that will apply to different types of residential developments, providing further information for developers / applicants on how to assess the parking demand for non-residential developments, and providing further clarity on transport assessments and providing travel plans.

4.4 The final version of the SPD, attached as Appendix 2, is considered to provide valuable guidance for developers as they draw up their proposals for any new development within the city.

5. Equality impact assessment (EIA)

5.1 A preliminary EIA was completed on the draft version of the document which showed that there will not be a disproportionate impact on any equality group as a result of the proposals. The only changes to the final version of the document are ones to correct typographic errors or to add further clarification the overall policy / detail of the document has not changed. Therefore a full EIA is not necessary.

6. Legal Implications

6.1 The process by which the City Council prepares supplementary planning documents, including public consultation, is regulated by the provisions of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”).

6.2 Publication, consultation with appropriate stakeholders, and receiving and considering relevant representations are necessary steps towards adoption, and the report and recommendation support compliance with the Council’s statutory obligations as local planning authority.

7. Finance comments

7.1 There are no financial implications that arise as a result of approving the recommendation to adopt the Parking Standards and Transport Assessments - Supplementary Planning Document.

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Signed by:
City Development Manager

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Parking Standards – Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). Report on consultation responses to draft SPD, July 2014.

Appendix 2: Parking Standards and Transport Assessments - Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), July 2014.

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
Parking Standards - draft for consultation, November 2013	Copies are available from the City Development Team
Consultation responses received between November 2013 and January 2014, and in July 2014	Available from the City Development Team

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/ rejected by on

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