

Pre-Production Statement of Consultation

Draft Sustainable Design and Construction and Residential Design guidance Supplementary Planning Documents

Consultation statement prepared in accordance with Regulation 12 (a) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004; [Local Planning Regulations 2012](#) and [Council’s adopted Statement of Community Involvement \(SCI\)](#).

1. Name of the Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD)

Sustainable Design and Construction SPD (SDC) and Residential Design Guidance SPD

2. Purpose of the documents

Barnet’s Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document (SD&C SPD) was first published in 2007 and was subsequently updated in 2013. Its main purpose is to provide clarification on Barnet’s local interpretation of sustainable development in light of national and regional policy, standards and the context of the Three Strands Approach (Protection, Enhancement, and Consolidated Growth). Since 2013, the London Plan has undergone a review with the ‘Further Alterations to the London Plan’ adopted in March 2015. The Government has also established national standards for housing.

It is therefore now timely to update the SD&C and Residential Design SPDs. The SPDs have been revised to focus on the design standards required for different scales of development as well as the performance standards of buildings. The refocused SD&C SPD captures changes on space standards as well as new standards that address accessibility, security, energy, noise, air quality and water conservation. The Residential Design SPD cross references these changes and also clarifies the approach to conversions including small HMO conversions.

3. Persons/groups/bodies consulted in connection with pre-preparation of the SPD

Internal consultation was undertaken during the updating of the SPDs from January 2016 onwards. The SDC steering group was established to work through various versions of the document with planning managers. The following provided input to the emerging document:

- Development Management Area teams of
 - North

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 - Major Development Projects team
 - Conservation and Heritage team
 - Planning Policy team
 - Regeneration team
 - Environment Health team
 - Assistant Director of Strategic Planning and Regeneration; and

Content of the draft SPDs was also publicised at the Local Plan Member Steering Group on 1 March 2016.

4. How were people consulted?

As highlighted above, an internal Steering Group was formed to which an early outline proposal of the SPD was presented. Subsequent versions were discussed by members of the steering group.

5. Summary of the main issues raised in those consultations

- To clarify approach to opaque glazing
- To clarify detail on outbuildings in green belts
- To clarify the approach on noise and development types, in particular in relation to outdoor amenity areas
- To add to approach to low carbon solutions
- To update the referencing in both documents to reflect up to guidance GLA documents

6. How have those issues been addressed in the SPD?

Comments (as set out above) from internal consultation have shaped the draft SPD.

7. Availability of documents (when and where)

In accordance with Regulation 12(1a,b) (2) and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, the SPD, along with the pre-production consultation statement will be made available for inspection during the 9 week consultation period from **7 July to 5pm on 25 August 2016** at:

- Planning Reception, Barnet House, 1255 High Road, Whetstone N20 0EJ (Monday to Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm)
- Local libraries (find your local library and opening timings at www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries)
- Online <http://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

Comments on the draft SPD can be made:

Online at: <http://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

In writing to: Planning Policy Team
Barnet House, 1255 High Road,
London, N20 0EJ

By email to: forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

By Tel: 020 8359 4990

In accordance with Regulation 35 (3), the council may make a reasonable charge if request for a hard copy of the the SPD is made.

No charges are incurred to download these documents from the website or inspect them in any of the Barnet libraries or at the Barnet House planning reception.