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Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultation Draft

PLANNING SERVICES GOSPORT

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We are seeking your views on the Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre SPD which provides the planning framework for this part of the Borough.

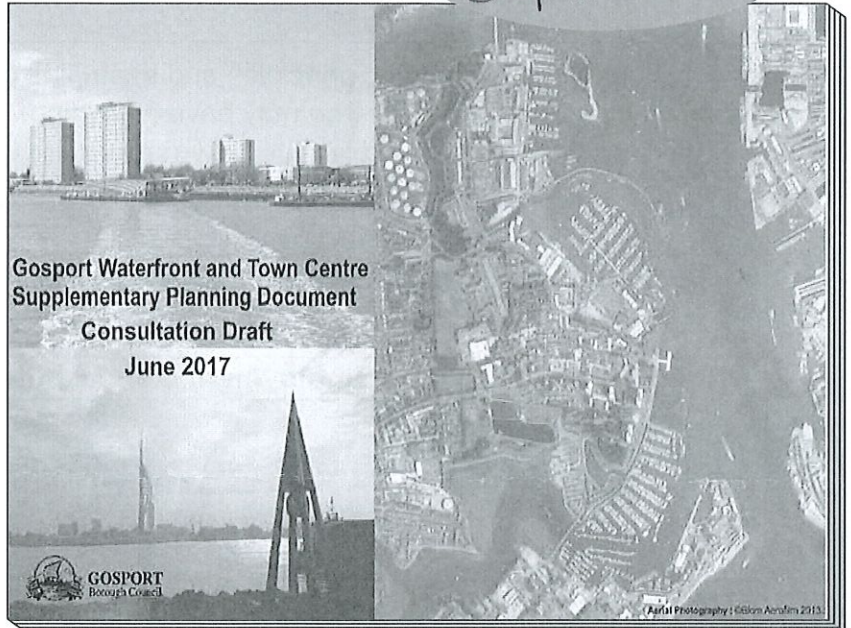
A copy of the document is available on the Council's website:
www.gosport.gov.uk/waterfrontspd

If you have any queries regarding the SPD or about making any representations please contact the Planning Policy Section at planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk or telephone **023 9254 5458**

The Comments Form is divided into sections to assist with structuring any comments you may have.

There is a section near the end of the Comments Form (Question 11) which can be used if you require additional space or make comments not covered by the questions included on the form.

Comments will need to be submitted to Gosport Borough Council by **19th September 2017**
29/11



Vision (page 5 of the SPD)

1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?

Inherent, well thought through and shows sensitivity to the heritage and potential for the town.

Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Challenges (page 10 of the SPD)

2. Do you have any comments regarding the **strengths** of the Waterfront and Town Centre area identified in the SPD? (eg. agree, disagree, any additional ones?)

Agree - Gosport is in an amazing location with many strengths.

3. Do you have any comments regarding the **weaknesses** of the Waterfront and Town Centre area identified in the SPD? (eg. agree, disagree, any additional ones?)

Agree

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Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Challenges (page in SPD)

4. Do you have any comments regarding the **opportunities** of the Waterfront and Town Centre area identified in the SPD? (eg. agree, disagree, any additional ones?)

Agree - opportunity to exploit sea/harbour plus open green spaces for cycling, walking etc.

5. Do you have any comments regarding the **challenges** of the Waterfront and Town Centre area identified in the SPD? (eg. agree, disagree, any additional ones?)

Agree - major challenge with mindset of some inhabitants eg anti social behaviour, lack of engagement or interest in the community & way forward.

Themes (including the objectives, principles and examples given)

6. Please include any comments you may have regarding:

Theme A: Creating an Attractive Townscape (page 19 of the SPD)

Support, but need to maintain balance between new development and retaining/rejuvenating heritage etc.
Learn from planning mistakes in the past!

Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities (page 26 of the SPD)**Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience** (page 29 of the SPD)**Theme D: Providing New Homes** (page 32 of the SPD)

Sensitive developments to environment, retaining green spaces continue to develop heritage buildings e.g. Priddy's Hall, thoughtfully while providing affordable options.

Theme E: Improving Accessibility (page 34 of the SPD)**Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision** (page 40 of the SPD)

Do not reduce any of the existing green space, make use of better bus service, develop bus station to create transport interchange at ferry terminal.

Themes (including the objectives, principles and examples given)

Please include any comments you may have regarding:

Theme G: Managing Flood Risk (page 44 of the SPD)**Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure** (page 49 of the SPD)**Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town** (page 50 of the SPD)

Essential to maintain & promote green/open spaces. these are a draw for visitors & tourism.
Educate young people about health & fitness & they may teach their parents!

Character Areas

7. Please include any comments you may have regarding the proposals for the Character areas (including: What else would you like to see? Additional opportunities? Issues not covered? Concerns or queries?)

The Bus Station and Falkland Gardens (page 55 of the SPD)

Suggest re-developed Bus Station.
Views to Trinity Church should be maintained
Green space - key part of Gosport's waterfront and should not be built upon
Pedestrian route through boatyard essential to fully open up waterfront experience.
Any new cafes, retail should be contained within re-developed Bus Station.

Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road (page 60 of the SPD)

Suggest walkway along waterfront.
Suggest additional housing.

Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area (page 61 of the SPD)

Ground floor retail is key to completing this development.

North of the High Street (page 64 of the SPD)

North Cross Quays - suggest develop new proposals.
Reduce rents to encourage market traders.

The High Street and associated areas (page 67 of the SPD)

Preserve heritage (character) buildings in High St.

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South Street (page 70 of the SPD)

Trinity Green area (page 73 of the SPD)

We do not support any further development on Trinity Green and loss of car parking provision for the residents of Hobson and Seaward Towers.
 Timespace - needs much re-orientation!
 Essential to maintain the green space - key part of Gosport.
 No concerns about additional moorings.
 We do not support 'pop-up' cafe cafe's taking the promenade.

Haslar Marina (page 77 of the SPD)

The Gosport Lines (page 79 of the SPD)

Expose them, make them accessible. Locals & tourists are interested in the history of Gosport. Monopolise this.

Overall comments

8. Is there anything in the SPD that particularly concerns you and why?

Improving evening economy could bring out it more cases of antisocial behaviour.
 If the public toilets had to be closed near the ferry due to vandalism + health & safety how are cafe's etc going to thrive?

9. Are there any other sites within the Waterfront and Town Centre area which have potential for development?

10. Please can you give any suggestions of what else the Council should consider to include in the final version of the SPD?

Arboretum / botanic garden.
 Allotments for foragers with guidance.
 Portsmouth has successfully regenerated many areas - learn from this & partner up to create a stronger & more lucrative South Coast destination?

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Any further comments?

11. Please include any comments you may have

We do not oppose commercial developments of the space between Harbor and Jewell Tower and the Millennium promenade.

Gosport is in a unique location with amazing naval / maritime heritage and direct access to all things sea-faring. This is an obvious draw card to attract visitors.

Unlike other coastal locations it has retained many historical buildings which as yet have been untapped for public use.

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Contact details

12. Please could you complete your contact details.

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Data protection: Gosport Borough Council is registered under the Data Protection Act 1998. The information that you provide in completing this form will only be used by the Council in the development of Planning documents. Please note that private individuals will not be named when we report comments to the Council's Board. However hard copies of each comments form will be available for inspection at the Town Hall once the consultation period is completed (address, and e-mail details will be redacted).

Returning responses

Comments can either be sent to Deputy Head of Planning Services (Policy)
Gosport Borough Council
Town Hall
High Street
Gosport
PO12 1EB

or emailed to planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk

What happens next?

All comments received will be reported to the relevant Council Board together with any proposed actions and/or amendments to the SPD as a result of the consultation process. The SPD will then be recommended for adoption and will become a key consideration when determining future planning applications. Future planning applications will also be subject to public consultation.

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Thank you for your comments.

Additional space for comments.

The borough holds the best views of the harbour, the I.O.W & the Solent yet it doesn't trumpet this?

It has green spaces & cycle paths, which are also attractive to visitors.

Why not be a standard bearer for a South Coast "green" town?

Gosport feels 'real' and has its own unique character. Perhaps part of the SPD's goal could be to turn the obesity / ill health trend around & make it a healthy place to live. Obviously this is already part of the grand plan.

Focus on access, the historical areas & cleaning up existing commercial before new building phases.

Visitors will pay good money to enjoy an authentic heritage experience. Many are interested in naval history & Gosport has it in spades.

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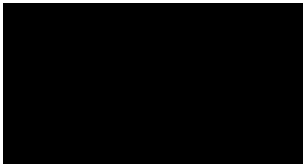
From: Lisa Shanley [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 September 2017 09:46
To: Planning Policy Internet
Subject: SPD

Just a quick email to commend the department on the thoroughness, thoughtfulness and sensitivity of the SPD. I can appreciate that a great deal of work has gone into it's preparation. Well done all.

I have completed a comments form so will refrain from repeating myself here, only to agree that Gosport is in a unique location with great opportunities for developing it in a sensitive and green way. Preserve and promote it's history and many quirky gems scattered around the borough. I do feel strongly that existing areas that need attention e.g. the Bus Station , should be dealt with before embarking on 'new-build' phases.

Good luck and kind regards,

Elizabeth Shanley



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