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## Comments Form

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

PLANNING SERVICES GOSPORT

29 SEP 2017

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](http://www.gosport.gov.uk/waterfrontspd)

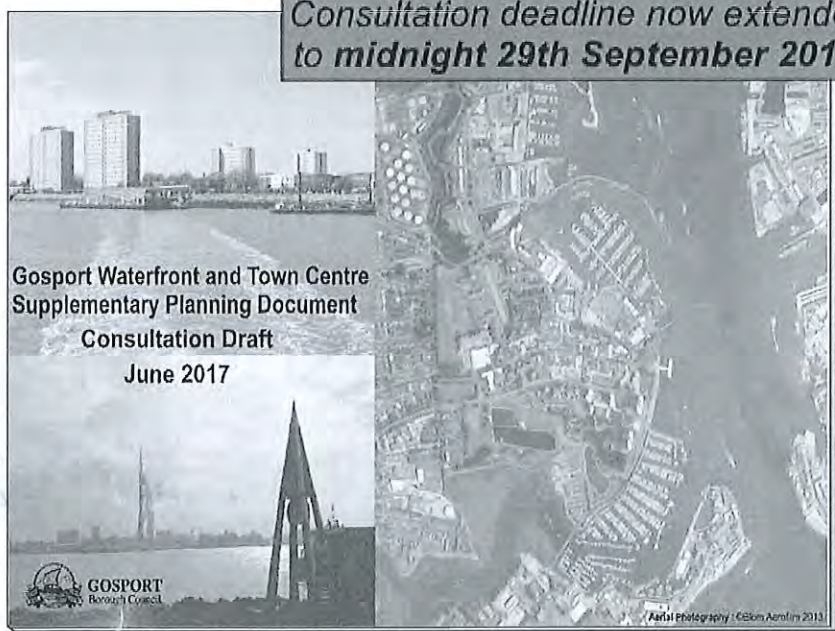
If you have any queries regarding the SPD or about making any representations please contact the Planning Policy Section at [planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk) or telephone **023 9254 5458**

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**

**Consultation deadline now extended to midnight 29th September 2017.**



### Vision (page 5 of the SPD)

1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?

WHERE IS THE MONEY COMING FROM. PLEASE DO NOT SAY 'BY FORMING PARTNERSHIPS'. AS LONG AS PORTSMOUTH, FAREHAM AND SOUTHAMPTON KEEP UP THEIR HEARTHY GROWTH, GOSPORT WILL NEVER ATTRACT SHOPPERS VISIT CLARENCE YARDS AND SEE HOW MANY RETAIL OUTLETS REMAIN EMPTY.

### 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?)

THE ONLY STRENGTH I CAN SEE IS THE FERRY TO PORTSMOUTH. PEOPLE USE IT FOR WORK AND LEISURE IN PORTSMOUTH. BOTH OF WHICH IS IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY IN GOSPORT

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?)

WE DO NOT NEED TWO NEW RESTAURANTS WHEN THE EXISTING ONES FIND IT HARD TO SURVIVE.



### 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?)

PLEASE EXPLAIN. RETAIN KEY ELEMENTS WHICH COMPLEMENT THE BUS STATION. UNTIL YOU BECOME HONEST AND PUBLISH YOUR PLANS FOR THE FALKLAND GARDENS THE PUBLIC CANNOT COMMENT. PLEASE EXPLAIN BY WHAT MEANS YOU INTEND TAKING

WALKWAY

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?)

### 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)

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE RAISED FLOWERBEDS IN THE HIGH STREET. THE ARE NOT VERY WELL KEPT. THE MARKET IS NOW QUITE SEEDY, IT USED TO BE VIBRANT AND ENHANCED THE HIGH STREET. SOME DAYS IT IS LIKE THE TOUR DE FRANCE WITH THE AMOUNT OF CYCLISTS

#### Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities (page 26 of the SPD)

I AM AFRAID THAT YOU HAVE LOST THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE EMPLOYMENT. YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT IT WHEN HASKAR HOSPITAL AND THE NAVAL BASES STARTED TO CLOSE. MAYBE A COUPLE OF TOILET ATTENDANTS IF YOU EVER SORT OUT THE BAD TOILET FACILITIES AT THE FERRY

#### Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience (page 29 of the SPD)

STOKE ROAD AND THE HIGH STREET ARE NOT IN THE 21ST CENTURY, THERE IS NO BRAND NAME SHOPS, THERE IS NOT A DECENT RESTAURANT, THERE IS NO CINEMA NO BOWLING RALEY AND ONLY A COUPLE OF SECOND RATE NIGHT-CLUBS. GUNWHARF HAS WON THE BATTLE

#### Theme D: Providing New Homes (page 32 of the SPD)

BY ALL MEANS BUILD NEW HOUSES BUT WHAT ABOUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE. THE A 32 IS NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE.

#### Theme E: Improving Accessibility (page 34 of the SPD)

PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW YOU INTEND TO HAVE FREE FLOWING TRAFFIC BETWEEN FAREHAM AND GOSPORT. ONE BRIGHT SPOT IS THE ECLIPSE SERVICE, THANKS MAINLY TO WORK DONE BY FAREHAM COUNCIL

#### Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision (page 40 of the SPD)

GOSPORT IS WELL PROVIDED WITH PARKS IF ONLY THEY WERE KEPT FREE FROM LITTER AND DOGS MESS. WE ALSO HAVE THE BOATING LAKE WHICH IS NICE



**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)

NOW THAT FORTON PARK AND THE CROSSWAY'S PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN FIXED THERE IS NOT REALLY A PROBLEM THE LARGE STONES FROM MASLAR MARINA TO THE BOATYARDS ARE EXCELLENT

**Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure** (page 49 of the SPD)

BACK TO THE A32. NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE. WHY IMPROVE THE TOWN CENTRE INFRASTRUCTURE SO PEOPLE CAN CATCH THE FERRY TO PORTSMOUTH EASIER

**Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town** (page 50 of the SPD)

THE LITTER PROBLEM IN GOSPORT IS DISGUSTING. MORE HOUSES IN THE VICINITY OF THE TOWN CENTRE MEANS MORE CARS AND THAT MEANS MORE POLLUTION DOGS MESS IS ALSO BAD IN GOSPORT. DOG WARDENS IN GOSPORT ARE LIKE 6 LEGGED HORSES. YOU NEVER SEE ONE

**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)

GOSPORT NEEDS A PROPER BUS STATION WITH PROPER TOILET FACILITIES AND A PROPER TOURIST INFO CENTRE. ALTHOUGH GOSPORT DOES NOT GET TOO MANY TOURISTS - LEAVE THE FALKLAND GARDENS AS THEY ARE. PEOPLE LIKE TO SEE FLOWERS AND SIT ON WOODEN BENCHES. STOP PUBLIC DRINKING.

**Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road** (page 60 of the SPD)**Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area** (page 61 of the SPD)

WHY IS THERE SO MANY RETAIL OUTLETS LYING EMPTY

**North of the High Street** (page 64 of the SPD)**The High Street and associated areas** (page 67 of the SPD)

THE HIGH STREET IS NOT IN THE 21ST CENTURY. SHOPS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO OPEN UP THEIR BACK ENTRANCES FOR DELIVERIES. KEEP THE HIGH STREET VEHICLE FREE BAN BEGGARS, MOST OF WHOM GO HOME TO THEIR OWN ACCOMMODATION AT NIGHT



## Character Areas

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### South Street (page 70 of the SPD)

### Trinity Green area (page 73 of the SPD)

### Haslar Marina (page 77 of the SPD)

HASLAR MARINA IS ONE BRIGHT SPOT BUT IT DOES NOT NEED ANOTHER RESTAURANT OR A NEW BRIDGE LINKING WHAT.

### The Gosport Lines (page 79 of the SPD)

## Overall comments

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

WHO PAYS FOR ALL THE GRASSHOPPER SCHEMES  
NOBODY WANTS TO FORM A PARTNERSHIP WITH A TOWN THAT DID NOT CONCENTRATE ON FORWARD PLANNING WHEN THERE WAS TALK OF CLOSING THE NAVAL BASES. CYNAMID WAS GONE TO BE REPLACED BY SMALL LABOUR EFFICIENT UNITS

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

WHEN PORTSMOUTH COUNCIL FULLY TAKE OVER GOSPORT COUNCIL AND THE STAFF WHO ARE NOT MADE REDUNDANT ARE TRANSFERRED TO PORTSMOUTH THE THE COUNCIL OFFICES CAN BE DEMOLISHED. A LEISURE COMPLEX INCLUDING A CINEMA CAN THEN BE BUILT. REDUNDANT COUNCIL STAFF CAN BE RE-EMPLOYED AS USHERETTES, DOOR PEOPLE ETC.

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

COMMON SENSE.

**Any further comments?**

11. Please include any comments you may have

GOSPORT WILL NEVER RECOVER, GOSPORT COUNCILERS STUCK THEIR HEADS IN THE SAND A LONG TIME AGO. A NEW BUS DEPOT WILL HELP PEOPLE GOING TO PORTSMOUTH FOR WORK, LEISURE, SPORT. THE ONLY TIME THE FERRY IS BUSY COMING INTO GOSPORT IS WHEN COMMUTERS COME HOME IN THE EVENING. THAT IS WHY THERE IS A TICKET COLLECTOR AT THE GOSPORT ENTRANCE IN THE MORNING AND THE PORTSMOUTH ENTRANCE IN THE EVENING. WILL GOSPORT COUNCIL STAFF GET FREE FERRY TICKETS WHEN THEY ARE TRANSFERRED TO GREATER PORTSMOUTH COUNCIL. GOOD LUCK, YOU WILL NEED IT.

\*More space available on the back page.

**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](mailto: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.

\*Please use back page if you require additional space.

Thank you for your comments.

Additional space for comments.

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