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Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges Tables			
This section relates to the comments made by respondents which refer to the wording of the tables in the SPD that highlight strengths, weakness, opportunities and challenges. Where respondents have referred to a specific item when answering the pro forma about the strengths, weaknesses opportunities and threats these comments have normally been placed under the relevant theme or character area.			
107/12	Local resident	Ref: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges sections: These bulleted lists are exactly what any management consultant led exercise might well create. Individually it seems too hard to disagree with any specific line but taken together they seem to present a case that Gosport must build more houses no matter what the impact on the existing infrastructure and residents	The SPD is supplemental to the Adopted Local Plan which has been subject to an Examination in Public and found to be sound by a Government Inspector. As part of the technical work on the GBLP an assessment of infrastructure requirements to support the level of development needed in the Borough over the local plan period was undertaken in consultation with infrastructure providers.
Strengths			
376/2	Local resident	No strengths	The Borough has a number of recognised strengths as identified in Table 1.
206/2	Local resident	What strengths?	
12/2, 24/2, 57/20, 100/1, 143/1, 201/2, 248/4, 260/2, 268/2, 282/5, 294/9, 336/3, 341/3, 342/9, 349/2, 350/12, 355/2, 357/9	Local residents, Cllr Rafaelli, Lee Residents Association, Gosport Heritage Open Days, Gosport Society	<p>Agree with identified strengths</p> <p><i>Marine</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - agree but tourism and town centre not currently strength (57/20) - Great access to the Harbour and open sea. The existing marine culture (349/2) - Recognition of the business potential is a plus (341/3) <p><i>Townscape/marine environment/heritage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Particularly the acknowledgement of the maritime environment, harbour setting, heritage assets(336/3) - Great access to the Harbour and open sea. The existing marine culture (349/2) - particularly the acknowledgement of the wealth of historic building and public realm spaces listed 	<p>Acknowledged that many respondents agree with the strengths identified and have included additional comments that highlight these strengths.</p> <p>The Table outlining Strengths (Table 1) has been developed over time through evidence studies that support the Local Plan, stakeholder engagement (such as workshops for the Coastal Community Team) and other assessments.</p> <p>There are some additional strengths identified by respondents that are useful to include in the SPD including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • additional marine strengths identified by Gosport Marine Scene and others • Heritage Open Days

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		<p>(294/9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The knowledgeable Conservation and Design team is a strength including the Head of this department (294/9) - tourism characteristics, heritage open days , the tourist information centre (294/9) - Waterfront is the town's strength – somewhere to sit and enjoy the views (247/2) - Our waterfront is our strength somewhere to walk, and reflect and enjoy the sounds of the sea and the birds and to watch the ships etc. There is always something to watch (250/2) - Our Waterfront is the pride of Gosport. A peaceful restful place which should be left exactly as it is (251/2) - The waterfront and views over the Harbour are the towns Strength. (270/2) <p><i>Town Centre</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - agree but town centre not currently strength (57/20) <p><i>Tourism</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - agree but tourism not currently strength (57/20) - Particularly the acknowledgement of opportunities for tourists and visitors. (336/3) - tourism characteristics, heritage open days , the tourist information centre (294/9) <p><i>Transport (Interchange)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - -. Close to Southampton airport, continental ferry's and National rail network (349/2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • views across to the current naval fleet in addition to the Historic Dockyard • importance of BRT route and accessible to other attractions and areas of Gosport • Include reference to Continental Ferries • Community/Voluntary activity
68/7, 133/2, 219/5	Gosport Marine Scene, local resident, Cllr Bateman,	<p>The table could include additional strengths regarding the marine industry and waterfront activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The waterfront is the Town Centre's greatest asset (133/2) Major centre for yachting services (including Endeavour Quay) 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gosport is the home of sail training with a very significant number of sailing training organisations based here (68/7) which is vibrant and expanding (219/5) [details supplied by GMS (68)] - Potential access to the water for water users is also strength but hampered by the current layout (133/2) 	
24/2, 35/8p 40/2, 41/2, 68/7, 109/2, 123/3, 192/2, 294/9 292/2, 353/1, 357/10, 371/1, 72/1, 379/2	Local residents, Gosport Marine Scene, Gosport Society	<p>The heritage and historic assets are a key strength, every effort needs to be made to retain what's left Townscape/heritage strengths identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Falkland Gardens are lovely as they are (35/8p, 372/1) - The view and calm feeling are important to retain (109/2). - Many important Georgian and later buildings remain in the Town Centre including the Arts and Craft (designed by Alfred Cross) (292/2) - Historic frontages in the High Street are attractive (192/2) with pleasing domestic scale and is not spoilt by high rise buildings (292/2) - Heritage Open Day-outstanding annual event and a model for the promotion of the town. - Gosport has not suffered from overdevelopment. The profligate holding of land for defence purposes, while hindering development has also protected much that could have been swept away. - Gosport's wider littoral is remarkable with a mix of creeks, marshes, wetlands, saltings stunning bay and beaches [full details in GMS (67) original submission] - don't spoil it. (40/2) - The waterfront is our gem and has to be treated with kid gloves (379/2) 	
68/7,	Gosport Marine Scene	Gosport's greatest asset is its people and sense of community which generates a huge amount of voluntary	Agree amend 'Strengths' Table accordingly

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		activity and shared endeavour.	
357/14	Local resident	The people and strong sense of community are an important asset.	
<i>Townscape and attractive marine environment and heritage</i>			
6/1	Meon Ramblers	Take out the word ' <i>proposed</i> ' England Coastal Path as the route will definitely be routed through the SPD	It is acknowledged that the England Coast Path <u>will</u> be routed through the SPD. The definitive route has yet to be agreed. The word ' <i>proposed</i> ' reflects that the path is a proposal which has not been completed yet.
357/11	Local resident	Tourism is a massive strength, including things such as viewing the new aircraft carrier (357/11).	Agree –make minor amendment to include views across to the current fleet.
219/7	Cllr Bateman	Healthy environment-in addition to on-water facilities the area covered by the SPD is excellent for walking and cycling throughout.	Agree
<i>Town Centre</i>			
108/2	Local resident	The Discovery Centre is a strength.	Agree -This is included in the strength table
99/2	Local resident	The car parking in the town centre is good, don't lose it.	This is identified in the 'Strength' Table
221/2, 381/2	Local residents	Disagree that the market is a strength, - it is half empty, not as good as it was (221/2) - How can the street market be a strength on Tuesdays there are very few stall holders (381/2)	Acknowledged that the scale of the market has reduced over a number of years. However, it is still considered a strength and still has potential to adapt and evolve.
359/2	Local resident	The Saturday morning market is a strength	Acknowledged
355/3	Local resident	Town centre environment cannot always be described as pleasant due to passive smoking, profanity, vagrants setting up camp in every space, and drug abuse.	Acknowledge the point being made but overall the town centre environment is a strength and these other issues need to be managed.
<i>Transport interchange</i>			
299/2	HCC Transport	A specific reference is needed to the Eclipse Bus Rapid Transport route which is core to the Borough's Transport Strategy.	Amend 'Strength' Table accordingly
219/6	Cllr Bateman	Add to the table- the huge potential for easy access from here to the many other attractions across Gosport.	
108/3, 367/3	Local residents	The ferry terminal is excellent. - The only strength is the ferry. People use it for	This is identified in the 'Strength' Table

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		work and leisure in Portsmouth both of which are in short supply in Gosport (367/3)	
99/3, 294/14	Local resident, Gosport Society	Some aspect of transport are a strength: The proximity of the ferry and bus terminal with each other with swift links to trains at Portsmouth Harbour Good interchange and ferry connections to Portsmouth and on to Portsmouth hospitals (99/3)	
294/15	Gosport Society	Other aspects of transport are not as strong as stated e.g. dedicated cycle routes and car/taxi drop off areas.	It is considered that these aspects together are overall a strength although it is recognised elsewhere in the document- (Under Theme E- Improving Accessibility and the Bus Station site) that improvements could be made.
336/4,	Local resident	While the ferry and Portsmouth Rail terminus are strengths the other transport links mentioned are not strengths. The long distance trails that pass through the area are diverted and congested and connections with the National Cycle Network are very nebulous and cycle routes are not safe due to a lack of separation.	Noted- the strengths are noted and identified in the table. The additional issues are considered under Theme E- 'Improving Accessibility.
357/12	Local resident	Rail a Strength, but the bus services are poor after 6pm and could be improved (357/12)	
Weaknesses			
120/4, 219/8, 241/3, 248/5, 260/3, 268/3, 336/5, 342/10, 350/13, 355/3, 357/16	Local residents, Cllr Bateman, Lee Residents Association, Gosport Heritage Open Days	Agree with the weaknesses identified.	Noted
63/4	Local resident	All weaknesses	It is considered that the Town Centre and Waterfront does have some weaknesses which the SPD is aiming to assist in addressing.
251/3	Local resident	No weaknesses	
80/3, 102/3	Local residents	Disagree.	
<i>Town centre</i>			
17/1, 40/4, 43/2,46/3, 47/9, 57/4, 108/3, 207/4, 219/8,	Local residents, Gosport Marine Scene, Cllr	Town Centre weaknesses (see additional comments under High Street Section) - Quality of retail provision and town centre	Many respondents acknowledged the weaknesses identified in this table. The issues raised are addressed in each relevant section of this

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246/5, 268/3, 256/2, 285/1, 288/25, 289/5, 340/6, 359/5,367/4	Bateman	<p>(41/3,46/3, 108/4, 268/3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Too many empty shops (47/9, 246/5, 359/6) - Not enough things to do in town (43/2) - Public convenience provision (17/1, 40/4) - The area can look neglected (57/4, 219/8) and uncared for (57/4) - Not sure that a low start up rate is a weakness (207/4) - Ugly town hall (268/3) - Historic heritage not taken advantage of (268/3) - Take issue with enhancing shopping & leisure facilities as there are 40+ food and drink outlets – why need more when what we have already supports an obese community (256/2) - Too many bars/cafes in the High Street and surrounding area (285/1) - We do not need two new restaurants when the existing ones find it hard to survive (367/4) - Still no landmark leisure development in town (cinema was promised for RCY). Young people are not well-catered for in the town (288/25) - Focus in town centre needs to be retail rather than residential and more effort made to encourage Gosport businesses to move into or near the High Street where this is commercially viable (289/5) - Congestion (340/6) - loss of parking (340/6) - business rates (340/6) - Never be any more diverse retail units unless the roads are improved (64/2) - The High Street can be intimidating at night (57/3). - Car parking(65/4) 	document.
99/4	Local resident	Residents forced to go out of town for shopping, leisure opportunities and jobs.	Acknowledged that the leakage to other centres is a significant issue and this has been raised as a challenge which the SPD looks to assist in

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			addressing.
258/4	Local resident	SPD identified weaknesses very well but it is difficult to encourage companies to introduce theatre/cinema or quality restaurants rather than fast food outlets.	Agree that this can be difficult. The SPD aims to facilitate some opportunities which can act as a catalyst which will bring further investment.
349/3	Local resident	Stronger and larger economic communities nearby – Gunwharf Quay, historic realm and Royal Naval Dockyard (349/3)	Agree this has led to some of the weaknesses identified in the table.
100/3	Local resident / Cllr Raffaelli	The principal weakness of the Town Centre is that it is not located in the centre of the town. The strategic vision attempts to rectify this.	Noted
<i>General Economy</i>			
246/13	Local resident	The town needs revitalising	Agree- the SPD includes proposals which aim to assist with this.
67/27	Town centre business	Only the right mix of businesses will create opportunities another 1,000 homes will not.	A mix of uses can assist improve the economy including meeting residential needs.
371/2	Local resident	Being a MOD Civil Servant is not a weakness it gives the Town a stability of income and employment.	Agree- the point in the 'weaknesses' table highlights that Gosport has a high dependency on public sector employment and consequently is highly dependent on Government decisions and spending. A more diverse employment base would assist the economy to become more robust and entrepreneurial.
<i>Deprivation and population</i>			
207/2	Local resident	The general deprivation of the Town Centre is a weakness.	This is identified in the SPD
234/2	Local resident	Very high population density by national and Hampshire standards.	This can be identified as a strength, as high density locations can also be successful places. It is recognised that in such high density areas it is important to maintain a quality area with open spaces and quality buildings.
<i>Tourism</i>			
349/3		Nothing to encourage long stay visitors(349/3)	The strengths are aspects that provide the core of what could encourage the long term visitor but the weaknesses identified in the table include accommodation and branding need to be

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			addressed.
68/12,219/8, 221/7	Gosport Marine Scene, local resident Cllr Bateman	Lack of hotel accommodation or conference facilities Should have been located on the waterfront not the High Street. (221/7)	The lack of tourist accommodation is identified in the weaknesses table. The SPD aims to address this issue. There is still potential for hotel development on the waterfront.
294/17, 336/7	Gosport Society, Lee Residents Association	The lack of hotel provision identified in table may be addressed if the Haslar and High Street proposals are realised.	
89/3	Local resident	Hotel facilities are not required in this area, no details on improved infrastructure and no additional facilities for the residents	It is considered that hotel facilities will assist the local economy by increasing investment, footfall and diversifying the mix of uses in the town centre and waterfront area. Therefore, the lack of hotels in this area is considered a weakness as identified in the table.
68/14	Gosport Marine Scene	Agree that there is no perceivable Gosport brand- Gosport needs to be perceived as a destination.	Noted.
68/9	Gosport Marine Scene	The known and quantified spending power of the yachting community is neglected by retail Gosport. It should be a goal to encourage visitors to spend in Gosport rather than in their town of departure.	Agree- this has already been identified in the opportunity Table (rather than a weakness)
195/6	Local resident	Difficult to get people to invest in these areas, Priddy's Hard, Haslar etc. have taken a long time to happen.	Accept that there have been difficulties for these developments to be completed.
<i>Townscape including heritage</i>			
67/26	Town centre business	Too many so called Listed Buildings	The Borough's large number of listed buildings is considered a strength and a potential opportunity as it contributes to Gosport's quality environment and sense of place. It is acknowledged that such buildings and their re-use do pose a number of challenges.
294/18	Gosport Society	The unattractive High Street, uninspiring modern architecture and shop-fronts in-between heritage buildings disguise what could be an attractive pedestrianised destination.	Noted –these weaknesses are acknowledged in the table. The SPD includes initiatives which try to enhance the High Street.

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83/3	Local resident	Gosport ferry area is a gateway to Gosport and needs to be attractive, welcoming and well maintained	Agree.
68/10,240/3	Gosport Marine Scene, local resident	The failure to connect the Gosport Waterfront from Falkland Gardens to Royal Clarence Yard	Proposals in the SPD look to improve this. The issue has been identified as an opportunity.
133/5	Local resident	Lack of pedestrian and cycle access to Gosport's waterfront.	
133/3, 219/9	Local resident, Cllr Bateman	Agree with lack of connectedness between areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Between the town centre and waterfront (219/9) - To great Walpole Park facility (219/9) - Between Falkland Gardens and RCY (219/9) 	Noted and that this is identified in the table. The specific issues are dealt with in the relevant sections of this document.
<i>Transport and accessibility</i>			
68/15	Gosport Marine Scene	Transport is not just a weakness. Whilst communications are perceived to be a challenge, though they are not in fact worse than many towns and have some unique advantages, rail access to London and the east and west being one of them Ease of sea connections via Portsmouth to the Isle of Wight and the continent is also a strength.	Agree and that is why some strengths regarding transport have also been highlighted.
64/4, 65/21234/2, 282/5	Local residents	Accessibility via road (282/5) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road congestion, one road in and one road out (234/2) - Gosport will never flourish all the time the road in is as congested as it is. 	These weaknesses are acknowledged in the 'weaknesses' table. Numerous other comments relating to transport and accessibility are considered under the 'Theme E' section.
336/9	Lee Residents Association	Lack of transport provision a serious weakness.	
210/8	Local resident	Reference is made to 'Peak time congestion on the A32' in the SPD. This should be amended to ' <i>the A32 is inadequate for modern commerce and restricted by its junctions especially with the A27 (Tesco Bridge junction)</i> '	
294/17	Gosport Society	The lack of water-based transport links across the harbour should be identified as a weakness (as well as an	This is considered to be more appropriate as an opportunity than a current weakness as overall the

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		opportunity).	most important connection exists via the Ferry.
299/3	HCC Highways	Under transport delete the perception of congestion and add road congestion adds additional travels costs to residents and deters inward investment.	Add the phrase suggested by HCC as the highway authority.
9/3	Local resident	Cannot find background paper on Traffic Studies into and out of Gosport. The draft document correctly identifies the inadequacies of the A32 but where is the data that supports this? Having identified the inadequacies of the A32 the draft document (SPD) 'forgets' to identify associated remedial mitigation works why?	The draft SPD is linked to policy LP4: Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre Regeneration Area in the adopted Gosport Borough Local Plan 2011-2029. Specifically in this particular context policy LP4 part (3) (b) is clear that any development proposals coming forward in the Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre area mitigates any adverse impact on the strategic road network (i.e. the A32) or the rest of the highway network. Appropriate proposals will normally need to provide a transport assessment to demonstrate whether there are any impacts and how these will be mitigated.
378/2	Local resident	Weakness in the statement that there is too much parking which can be reduced while increasing housing and business units	Surveys have consistently shown that there is a surplus in car parking in the town centre. It is considered that certain sites could be released to provide much needed residential and employment generating uses.
381/3	Local resident	Biggest weakness must be no train station as there is no chance of having one something must be done to make sure current public services is maintained with no loss of service or bus routes	Agree that it is important to continue to enhance bus services.
342/10	Gosport Heritage Open Days	Agree with most of the weaknesses identified. However the lack of adequate provision for those with disabilities and special needs should be listed as a weakness in the document which needs to be addressed. We strongly recommend that the Gosport Access Group and Disability Forum should be specifically asked to advise on opportunities to improve access in the area covered by the SPD. (342/10)	It is not proposed to specifically identify lack of adequate provision for those with disabilities and others with particular access requirements as a 'weakness' in the text. However it is recognised that it is an opportunity to improve such facilities and consequently it will be included within the Opportunities table. Additionally further amendments have been made to the SPD to make

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			explicit reference to improve such facilities.
<i>Other themes identified</i>			
<i>Recreation</i>			
69/2	Local resident	Nowhere close & safe for the growing number of families' children to play – forced to live in flats due to lack of social housing with gardens.	This is not considered a weakness of the Town Centre as there is a significant amount of amount space around the Town Centre, particularly Walpole Park. The GBLP and the SPD aim to provide additional affordable housing and improve open space provision.
<i>Housing</i>			
258/5	Local resident	Existing housing development does not serve the needs of residents as it is nearly all high cost or luxury housing	It is estimated at the time of the last Census 2011 that 3,400 people live in the SPD area. The SPD proposals aim to provide additional houses for people to live in including a proportion of affordable housing. It is acknowledged that a proportion of dwellings will be high-end. This can also assist with the economy by attracting potential additional customers to the Town Centre.
349/3	Local resident	Existing housing stock unattractive(349/3)	The Town Centre and Waterfront has a mixed stock and not considered such a weakness to be included in the table.
143/3, 256/3	Local residents	Lack of ability of the centre to compete with Gunwharf.	The proposals in the SPD aim to relate to Gosport strengths and not compete directly with Gunwharf.
<i>Community</i>			
68/17	Gosport Marine Scene	Gosport's greatest weakness may be its lack of self-confidence, its readiness to be overshadowed by the neighbouring towns and its apparently limitless capacity for withering self-criticism. Confident and assertive leadership has benefitted our neighbours-it could do the same for Gosport.	Noted.
<i>Crime and disorder</i>			
40/4	Local resident	Number of drug users.	The number of drug users whilst an issue is not a particular weakness for the Town centre itself.

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40/5, 112/4	Local residents	Loss of police station.	The police station has been relocated to the Town Hall.
Opportunities- NB many similar comments are included under each of the relevant themes and character areas and are detailed later in this document			
<i>Agree with opportunities</i>			
12/4, 69/4, 109/3, 120/5, 201/6, 336/13, 350/14	Local resident, Lee Residents Association	Agree with opportunities identified,	Noted.
278/2	Local Resident	Opportunity for Gosport to be a more attractive town.	Agree.
61/7	Local resident	There is a fantastic opportunity to create something new and exciting.	Agree.
349/4	Local resident	There are opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to improve the realm; • improve transport interchange; • improve access to the Harbour to attract growth in the marine economy; 	Agree, these are identified in the 'Opportunities' Table.
<i>Disagree with opportunities</i>			
45/2, 80/4, 102/4, 63/5, 376/4	Local resident	Disagree with opportunities	Noted.
206/3	Local resident	Opportunities don't focus enough on local residents	It is considered that these opportunities would benefit residents by providing new employment, facilities and a better quality environment.
230/2	Local resident	Many opportunities wasted over the years.	Noted.
286/1	Local resident	Disagree with opportunities – too many cafes/bars. The restaurants open at night will create additional noise	Some additional provision can assist the evening economy: by providing additional choice; widening the age-profile using the centre in the evening; and retaining expenditure which is currently leaking to other areas (Gunwharf, Fareham, Portsmouth and Southsea).
358/7	Local Resident	Potential to build the new homes that are badly needed in the area.	Agree.
41/5, 119/4, 238/9	Local resident	Disagree that we should be building more housing Land must be used to build something that will attract visitors and residents to the town and provide employment.	Residential uses form part of a wider mix of uses which can help regenerate the Town Centre.

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		Residential wasted opportunity – start an open competition to see what ideas are out there	
<i>Redevelopment of unused and under-utilised sites within the SPD area</i>			
358/5	Local resident	Opportunities around the redevelopment of the bus station.	Agree-this is reflected in the opportunity table and the SPD as whole.
112/5	Local resident	<i>Agree with opportunities identified but do not overbuild particularly near the water. Marine activities need space to expand if needed.</i>	Acknowledged the SPD aims to safeguard key waterfront sites for continued marine employment. It also proposes additional areas.
6/2	Meon Ramblers	Release of important waterfront sites provide a major opportunity which must not be wasted.	Agreed.
342/11	Gosport Heritage Open Days	Agree with most of the opportunities identified particularly the opportunities presented by the redevelopment of unused and under-utilised sites providing that provision is made that some public or occasional access for specialist interest groups by arrangement (such as during GHODs) is included in any planning permission to be granted	Provision has been included as part of the consents for some sites such as Haslar Hospital, but it would be useful to explicitly set out this intention. Amend SPD to include some form of public access to historic sites and buildings once they are developed as an opportunity and include under theme A of the SPD.
294/24	Gosport Society	Under-used and under-utilised sites-support Council's approach but would like to ensure that where historic buildings are to be used for commercial purposes or non-tourism purposes, that provision is made that some public or occasional access for specialist interest groups by arrangement is included in any planning permission to be granted.	
354/7	Local resident	Heritage needs to be taken advantage of as an opportunity to build on the towns unique strengths.	Agree-this is reflected in the SPD.
57/5, 237/2 , 260/4	Local resident	The Council needs to proactively take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the harbour, in order to change the perception of Gosport as a rundown town. The waterfront is a premium and should be used to attract visitors and wealth, to match Gunwharf. (237/2)	Agree this represents a significant opportunity.
260/25	Local resident	Gosport feels real, focus on the historical areas and cleaning up the commercial area before new building phases.	Noted.
271/24	Local resident	Empty buildings could be used to encourage small	Agree- these opportunities exist. Landowners

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		businesses, or provide temporary accommodation or offices.	need to consider the use of flexible terms.
381/4	Local resident	With the redevelopment of unused and under-utilised areas it could attract more film makers to use the sites around Gosport	Noted. Mention this in the Ideas Compendium of whether there is any scope to explore this further.
<i>Release and the redevelopment of sites in the vicinity of the SPD area</i>			
336/14	Lee Residents Association	Development at Blockhouse, Haslar and Royal Clarence Yard are particularly supported as long as heritage is enhanced, and tourism encouraged.	Agree
<i>Increase retail investment and encourage greater diversity of town centre uses</i>			
40/6	Local resident	Improve what we already have – the Town Centre, The Precinct	The SPD includes proposals which aim to do this as well as identify new development opportunities. The Precinct has been identified as one such which could be redeveloped to provide some retail and residential use.
<i>Public realm improvements</i>			
210/10	Councillor Bateman	Agree with opportunities identified -emphasise the opportunity to open up as much as the coastline as possible and marina zones for direct access by the public.	Amend SPD to emphasise this point further
241/4	Local resident	Agree with all identified plus need to improve access to the shoreline. Regularly walk to the town from Elson and parts of that route are not very interesting or attractive	
260/4	Local resident	Open green spaces are an opportunity.	Agree, the SPD emphasises the importance of open spaces in the SPD area.
246/4	Local resident	Waterfront great the way it is. Many people like to stroll, sit watch the water – peace and quiet	The SPD proposes to expand these opportunities.
133/7	Local resident	Agree strongly with the desire to extend the waterside walkway through the boat yards to Clarence Yard.	Noted-this is identified in the 'Opportunities Table'.
134/4	Local resident	More needs to be done in order to improve the public realm / visitor experience.	Agree. These opportunities are identified in the SPD.
36/4	Local resident	The waterfront needs to have plenty of light, public access and facilities that people want to use and not restrict access to private residents.	Agree, the SPD sets out principles which link to the design principles of policy LP10 in the GBLP which aim to ensure enhanced public access.

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100/4	Local resident / Councillor Raffaelli	Agree with the opportunities. More can be done to make Falklands Gardens an attractive location in the evenings as it suffers from anti-social behaviour.	Agree. New development at the Bus Station could assist by providing a vibrant location which encourages greater footfall and therefore natural surveillance.
125/2	Local resident	Opportunity to reimagine Gosport as a Town, through investment in the arts such as workshop and studio space which Gosport's artists currently find in Portsmouth.	Agree. Amend SPD accordingly under relevant theme.
260/24	Local resident	Promote Gosport as a green town and aim to turn around the obesity problem.	Further work is being undertaken by GBC in partnership with HCC and health organisations to consider a variety of approaches to tackle this issue.
<i>Transport</i>			
21/2	Local resident	Agree the bus station needs dealing with.	This is highlighted in the 'Opportunities' Table.
299/4	HCC Transport	Insert expansion of the Eclipse BRT as part of the wider South East BRT network.	Amend 'Opportunities' Table accordingly.
299/5	HCC Transport,	The redevelopment of the bus station is the ideal opportunity to provide a high quality transport interchange which can act as a focus for pedestrian activity and associated retail and leisure and include a welcoming entrance to and from Gosport.	Amend 'Opportunities' Table.
349/4	Local resident	Opportunity to improve parking for long term town centre shoppers and local residents. (349/4)	It is considered that the town currently has surplus long-stay parking provision.
6/3	Meon Ramblers	The identified challenge of the reduction in armed forces also provides opportunities.	Acknowledge- the implications of this identified challenge have been included as specific opportunities such as the availability of land for new opportunities.
336/15	Lee Residents Association	Particularly support the desire to improve water transport links.	Agree. This is highlighted in the 'Opportunities' Table. Mention the additional element of linking heritage sites in the 'Opportunities' Table.
294/23	Gosport Society	Improve water links including between key heritage sites along the Gosport Waterfront. (294/23)	
336/12	Lee Residents Association	Would like to see opportunities to improve pedestrian and cycle access and promote deconffication with other road users.	Amend Opportunities Table accordingly.
294/24	Gosport Society	Improved pedestrian and cycle access should be included	

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		in the table.	
357/89	Local resident	Potential to use Bridges as landmarks, whilst opening up connections between different areas and encouraging sustainable transport, usage should be monitored on the millennium bridge to see positive effect.	Agree bridges have an important role. For example the Millennium bridge (Forton Lifting bridge) and the Haslar Bridge. Within the SPD an additional footbridge is proposed linking the Millennium Promenade to Bastion No. 1 and the proposed Gosport Lines Walk. This would restore a link that was previously located there.
<i>Marine and marinas – see Marine and marinas section for more detailed comments</i>			
68/23	Gosport Marine Scene	Greater opportunities to develop the high-value yachting sector due to Gosport's location and littoral.	Agree- the SPD has been amended on this issue.
68/20	Gosport Marine Scene	Gosport marine tourism is under-developed. It needs support and resources of the Borough, City and County tourism.	Acknowledged.
68/21	Gosport Marine Scene	There are increasing opportunities to encourage local people to sail for pleasure or work (see detailed comments under leisure).	Amend 'Opportunities Table' accordingly
68/18	Gosport Marine Scene	The new connection between GBC and PCC is an important opportunity to think and plan across the Harbour. Portsmouth has commercial and defence shipping; Gosport has small commercial and recreational vessels: both have high quality maritime heritage. A complementary offer for the whole Harbour is desirable and is at last possible.	Amend 'Opportunities Table' to reflect greater opportunities for cross-Harbour working.
68/19	Gosport Marine Scene	Creating public access to the marinas may be an opportunity (see marinas section for detailed comments).	Amend 'Opportunities Table' accordingly under waterfront accessibility section. This opportunity is reflected elsewhere in the SPD.
68/25	Gosport Marine Scene	Opportunities to use additional waterfront sites (RCY and Blockhouse) to develop yachting service industries further including for large yachts.	Agree. The SPD has been amended.
133/6	Local resident	Opportunity to reintroduce the public to the water with Slipway's, hards and Pontoons.	Agree- these elements are reflected in the SPD.
256/6	Local resident	Marine industry serves Gosport well with Marinas and Haslar and supporting industries but housing on the waterfront is dominated by expensive housing i.e. Gilkicker,	Agree that the marine sector is important to the local economy. With regard to the residential developments cited these can have a number of

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		Haslar, McCarthy & Stone but these types of developments do not serve the needs of Gosport residents.	benefits including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the viable re-use of significant historic buildings the opening of sites for public access and improvements to the public realm. Some residents will be local others will bring new money into the area to spend in local shops and other businesses which supports local jobs.
<i>Tourism and Events.</i>			
292/4	Local resident	Create opportunities of national importance to attract tourists to Gosport and provide employment for residents (more detailed comments included under each theme and character area)	Agree-strengthen the emphasis in the Opportunities Table accordingly.
355/6	Local resident	Agree that the tourism and events opportunities listed especially water based travel.	Agree this is identified in the 'Opportunities Table.'
359/26	Local resident	The town really needs livening up. Potential for events such as the Gosport Carnival.	Agree- events create significant opportunities for local businesses and add leisure opportunities for residents and visitors alike.
342/12	Gosport Heritage Open Days	We would like to see GHODs listed alongside Gosport Marine Scene as a named organisation to be assisted in the organisation of events along the Waterfront	Amend SPD accordingly.
Other comments- employment related			
199/2	Local resident	Could create more job opportunities	Agree. The SPD aims to identify opportunities in the key sectors of the Town Centre and Waterfront area. These are highlighted further under Theme B 'Creating New Employment Opportunities.'
357/28	Local resident	Massive growth in the electric bike market. Used the same technology and skills as the marine business sector Encourage new designers and brands to base themselves in Gosport, encourage the use of electric bikes to allow people to make longer journeys and get off the road.	This is noted. Any new businesses in this sector within the SPD area and elsewhere in the Borough such as at Daedalus would be welcomed.
274/4	Local resident	The opportunity for employment is good as long as the jobs are quality and long term.	Noted.

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304/5, 305/5	Local residents	Employment provision will be short term so best not to say increased provision.	Some opportunities will be long term and consequently it is important to invest in skills and training. Mention the importance of this particularly regarding the marina and marine sector.
237/22	Local resident	The objective of the SPD should be to deliver change to increase revenue to improve the town for visitors and residents.	Whilst not an overall objective it is considered that the proposals of the SPD will help achieve increased revenues to improve the town.
<i>Energy use</i>			
357/29	Local resident	Be green, encourage solar, water, efficient buildings, water fountains and recycling bins. Go Green recycling bins in public areas.	Agree. Widen the existing opportunities identified under energy use section and include these further elements. Some of these are identified elsewhere in the SPD.
Challenges			
63/6, 102/5	Local residents	Disagree.	Noted.
12/5, 69/5, 201/7,210/11, 248/7, 336/17, 350/15	Local residents, Councillor Raffaelli, Councillor Bateman, Lee Residents Association	Agree with challenges identified.	Noted.
342/13	Gosport Heritage Open Days	Agrees with most of the challenges stated.	Noted.
<i>National economy</i>			
207/5	Local resident	Challenges with leaving the EU, but potential positives too, perhaps for marine industry.	Acknowledged. There may be new opportunities to be realised from leaving the EU.
<i>Marine economy</i>			
68/31	Gosport Marine Scene	Accept that competition on key waterfront sites is a challenge. Inevitably developers will wish to extract maximum value from investments by building to the edge of sites and building as high as possible. (See more detailed comment under marine and marine section under theme B).	Noted.
68/33	Gosport Marine	With only a few exceptions, Gosport's 160+ marine	This is an issue that can be considered further as

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	Scene	businesses have not benefited from development funding, which has tended to be targeted on larger enterprises, or to have onerous conditions beyond the resources of small businesses. GBC should press the Local Enterprise Partnership to give more support to the small marine businesses which contribute substantially to the local economy.	part of the Council's economic regeneration work.
336/17	Lee Residents Association	Developers wishing to build high rise block along the seafront should also be recognised in this section.	Competition on key waterfront sites from other land uses is recognised. Amend table to specifically mention residential uses.
349/5	Local resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve access to the Harbour; • To attract growth in the marine economy; 	These have been identified as opportunities in the SPD.
Defence			
207/6	Local resident	MoD are changing their plans, Uncertainty arounds sites such as Sultan.	Agree. This challenge is identified in the table. The Council continues to lobby the national government in order that these facilities can be retained.
Town centre			
294/27	Gosport Society	There is an inherent conflict between the stated ambition to stem the leakage of expenditure to Gunwharf and other more attractive evening destinations by increasing the night-time economy in Gosport- and the stated ambitions in relation to health and well-being. Without a strongly controlled vision of what an acceptable night time economy should look like (including a variety of evening entertainment opportunities other than bars and restaurants, such as a cinema, family outing and cultural venues), there is a real risk that this will just lead to increasing drunkenness in the Town Centre, together with additional noise and nuisance for residents.	<p>Mention the 'need to manage an increased night-time economy' as a challenge in the table'.</p> <p>If the Town Centre is successful in diversifying the evening economy this can widen the age profile of visitors which can help reduce anti-social behaviour. The issue will also need to be managed appropriately by the police, the Council and businesses.</p>
23/6, 359/4	Local resident	Gosport can't compete with Gunwharf / Southsea (no evening economy. (359/4)	Acknowledged the SPD proposes developing Gosport's own strengths and trying to retain a higher proportion of local residents' expenditure in

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			the Borough rather than leaking out to neighbouring areas. An evening economy suitable to Gosport has been identified as an opportunity.
<i>Environment</i>			
349/5	Local residents	To improve the realm (public). (349/5)	These have been identified as opportunities.
57/8		Better planting needed.	
36/5	Local resident	Keep the town centre and waterfront public.	
240/7	Local resident	The challenge would be to get the seafront walk to Clarence Yard open.	Recognition that this proposal will be difficult to achieve. However it is considered appropriate to include it as an opportunity.
99/5	Local resident	Do not over build in the Town Centre.	The SPD highlights some key potential opportunity sites that could add vitality to the town centre whilst protecting and enhancing open spaces.
258/8	Local resident	Gosport is an unspoiled waterfront and adding fast food outlets will not attract visitors from Gunwharf. You are turning your backs on a failing High Street.	The SPD aims to increase public access along the waterfront. It is hoped that the food and drink aspect will be concentrated in the Bus Station area to encourage more people to spend time and money locally rather than visiting other locations. It is not the Council's intention for such development to compete with Gunwharf. A redeveloped Bus Station site is seen as an opportunity to also enhance the High Street.
<i>Transport</i>			
299/6	HCC Strategic Transport	A challenge is to ensure that public transport and sustainable transport modes are seen as a real and tangible solution to tackling peak hour congestion.	Amend accordingly.
357/26	Local resident	Turn the negatives into positives. Future residents may not need to commute for example and could avoid driving at peak times.	Noted.
42/5	Town centre business	Need to improve road access to the M27 (otherwise investment won't come).	This is cited in the challenge table. Improvements are underway at Newgate Lane with further improvements proposed including the Stubbington Bypass.
46/1	Local resident	E buses make it easier to shop in Fareham.	Accept- add to the list of challenge. Equally if

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			Gosport has things to offer those in adjacent areas the transport links also can be used by those residents.
349/5	Local resident	To improve parking for the long term and town centre shoppers and local residents. (349/5)	This is not seen as a particular challenge as Gosport Town Centre currently has a significant surplus of long stay provision in the Town Centre.
65/5	Local resident	Car parking.	
Skills			
342/13	Gosport Heritage Open Days	In terms of Tourism & Events & Skills. Many of the cultural and heritage events which happen under the GHODs umbrella are only made possible by large numbers of volunteers. Due to them there is a great deal of positive feedback from visitors. There is real challenge facing Gosport and GHODs as a significant part of this group of volunteers age and will no longer able/or unwilling to be available to do this work. There is a real challenge in recruiting and training of new, younger heritage guides to carry on this important work on behalf of Gosport.	Noted- this issue has been included as an opportunity.
107/72	Local resident	There are many people in Gosport with a lot of skills and knowledge that is currently under-utilised. This talent pool could be employed by the Council for free if they were to encourage it. The Council may then begin to create a direction of travel that would take people with them.	Noted.
<i>Crime and disorder and other social issue</i>			
41/7,42/3	Local resident	Crime blight (42/3) Increasing crime rate. (41/7)	There are mechanisms in place to deal with these issues, primarily by the police with support from other agencies including the Borough Council.
40/7,42/4	Local resident, Town centre business	Drug abuse.	
57/6	Local resident	Litter control.	
57/7	Local resident	Cycling in pedestrian areas.	
40/7, 112/4	Local resident	No/limited police presence.	The Police are now located within the Town Hall and the level of service is a matter for the Hampshire Constabulary rather than the SPD itself to address.
<i>Funding</i>			

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42/2	Town centre business	Funding improvements- private finance unlikely to be forthcoming until other challenges are overcome.	Acknowledge that funding is an issue. The proposals and suggestions have the potential to come forward over a longer period of time (to 2029 or possibly to 2036) and consequently the availability and sources of funding will vary over that period. The SPD aims to highlight key opportunities with further action required.
61/9	Local resident	The challenges are the money and changing the reputation of Gosport, having let it go on for so long.	
<i>Others</i>			
216/12	Local resident	Biggest challenge is GBC.	Noted.
123/9	Local resident	One of biggest challenges Gosport faces in terms of attracting new job seekers and affluent residents is its poor perception by wider Hampshire residents. This seems to have worsened in recent years with some incredibly scathing comments made about the town. Is there scope for a PR push with people living here speaking up for it. Greater advocacy needed.	Acknowledged that more work is required in this area. Identify this as an opportunity.
84/5, 292/8	Local resident	Overcoming local inertia and the reluctance by residents to agree to any change in the built landscape (292/8) Never be able to please everyone. (84/5)	Noted.
260/5	Local resident	The mind set of some of the inhabitants is a challenge, anti-social behaviour, lack of engagement in the community.	Noted.
357/35	Local resident	Community frustration and scepticisms of new developments. New development needs to bring out community pride.	The SPD aims to set principles which can help achieve this.
57/9,	Local resident	There will always be challenges the Council needs to be aspirational to overcome them.	The SPD aims to provide an aspirational yet realistic framework for the whole town centre and adjacent waterfront. This will lead to further action by the Council, developers and other stakeholders.
96/6	Local resident	The town is worthy of the upgrade and should be aspirational in its planning and not just a poor Portsmouth / Fareham. Romsey / Henley of Thames, Marlow as examples.	The SPD highlights Gosport's strengths in key areas and it is these areas which provide a focus for further work.
288/2	Local resident	A major challenge is Gosport is seen as a dormitory town a	The Council consider that the Borough has the

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		base from which people travel to work, leisure and shop.	potential to extend its employment base, for example with proposals for the Enterprise Zone at Daedalus and the Gosport Waterfront. This has the potential to revitalise the local economy.
357/32	Local resident	Cuts to bus services.	Recognise that funding for public transport and roads is required. Identify in the Challenge table
357/33	Local resident	Neglect of Highways and loss of maintenance budgets mean that footways and cycleways are overgrown. Increase conflict with traffic on roads.	
371/8	Local resident	Rejuvenate the existing and closed properties first.	This needs to be done at the same time as providing new development.
41/8,47/10	Local residents	Increasing homelessness.	This is considered a wider issue than a particular matter for the SPD. The Council works with a number of agencies to alleviate homelessness.
Development Strategy			
18/5	Local resident	All the guiding principles set out in the themes are good.	Noted.
Themes			
107/1	Local resident	In addition to the nine themes there needs to be a 10th that deals explicitly with tax payer value for money and financial return.	The SPD is a planning framework. The assessment relating to value for money would need to be considered by each organisation putting forward a proposal on whether it is beneficial to undertake and the organisation providing the finance, whether that be a bank or funding body (such as the Heritage Lottery Fund). The SPD is primarily about setting out concepts and key principles.
210/12	Councillor Bateman	Agree with all themes.	Noted.