

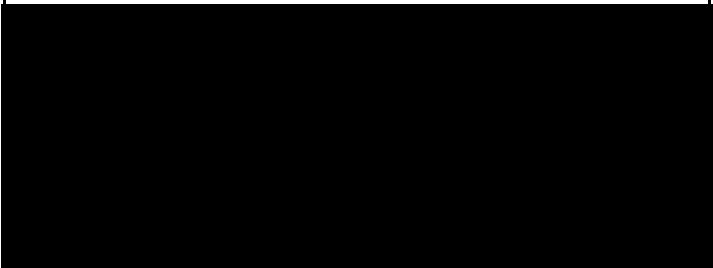
Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre SPD comments form

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1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?	I am concerned to find that the council is amenable to parking in Brewhouse Square, Royal Clarence Yard (page 68 of the main document).The principal of the square is that it is an open space with pedestrian access and views across the harbour. A place to sit in and relax or to stroll through on the way to the other amenities in Royal Clarence Yard.As a resident of Flagstaff Green overlooking Brewhouse Square I would strongly object to the square becoming a parking area because:1. It destroys the integrity of the original plan2. It is unsightly3. It presents a danger to pedestrians and would be an accident waiting to happen4. There is still ample parking space in the next door Cooperage Green
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Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road	
Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area	I strongly object to the Council being amenable to allowing parking in Brewhouse Square.
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The High Street and associated areas	
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Trinity Green area	

Haslar Marina	
The Gosport Lines	
8. Is there anything in the SPD that particularly concerns you	See comments in question 1.
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?	
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