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1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?	There is nothing in the 'Vision' about making Gosport Waterfront a health-promoting environment. Most of the other key themes have been incorporated into the vision but not 'Theme J Creating a Healthier Town'. We believe that the vision should include aspirations to create a more health-promoting environment, particularly as 'Promoting Health and Wellbeing' is one of Gosport's Strategic Priorities (according to the Corporate Plan). Indeed many of the Key Themes provide the opportunity to reference how these themes can influence public health benefit and demonstrate the inter-connectivity between each of these themes, on public health impact, in line with the corporate aspiration of 'Promoting Health and Wellbeing'. There should be an over-arching reference to public health benefit (in the 'Vision') and an indication as to how the Area Objectives are expected to deliver public health benefit. While it is assumed that these Objectives are intended for public benefit, the expected mitigation of negative public health impact and the promotion of public health benefit is not explicit in a stated vision or all of the Key Themes and Area Objectives.
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?)	None
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?)	None
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?)	None

<p>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?)</p>	<p>We agree that health should be identified as a challenge. Where this section has identified significant issues then the SPD must explicitly seek to address the identified issues both broadly and where intelligence indicates greatest need in population pockets covered by this SPD and its plans. This section has rightly identified an inter-connectivity between factors affecting and affected by health of the Gosport population so it would be reasonable that the overarching Vision as a minimum, and ideally also the Key Themes and Area Objectives make reference to their part in preserving or bringing public health benefit. (see answer to Q1).</p>
<p>Theme A: Creating an Attractive Townscape</p>	<p>This should demonstrate opportunity for public health benefit.</p>
<p>Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities</p>	
<p>Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience</p>	<p>This should provide public health opportunity to positively support economic development. In stating that retail and leisure development is to be encouraged, consider the density of and proximity to vulnerable population groups (schools for example) of less healthy food offerings. This links clearly with Key Theme J.</p>
<p>Theme D: Providing New Homes</p>	<p>Assuming an occupancy of 2.2 (the average for Gosport Borough), 700-900 new dwellings would yield approximately 1500-2000 residents (i.e. a 50% increase in the number living in the Waterfront area). What proportion of homes would be affordable? Sheltered and extra care housing are mentioned in relation to the ageing population but what about lifetime homes?</p>
<p>Theme E: Improving Accessibility</p>	<p>We note the over-provision of car parking and support the re-development of car parks as this can help to promote sustainable travel . We welcome the provision of benches as this supports older and less mobile people in active travel. However, we would suggest that increasing signage (on more than just key routes) should also be included as a facilitator to people walking and cycling. As such, it would also be appropriate that Theme E or Theme F define the expectation of cycle ways and cycle storage. There is some mention of walking/cycling in Theme J.</p>

Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision	The SPD currently only mentions Walpole Park in relation to encouraging greater use of open space for health and wellbeing. We would encourage developing other areas of open space in the Waterfront for health and wellbeing. These additional open spaces should be well connected (which connections that equally facilitate safe walking and cycling) with the existing town infrastructure and as the Waterfront and Town Centre locations covered by this SPD are individually developed.
Theme G: Managing Flood Risk	
Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure	
Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town	We support all the key principles. We welcome the intention to encourage developers to consider these health issues but we are concerned that there is no stated requirement for them to do so. Ideally, developers should be required or incentivised to develop neighbourhoods that contain those features that have been identified as needed in Gosport, as stated in this proposed SPD and as part of the aspiration of 'Promoting Health and Wellbeing' (according to the Corporate Plan).
The Bus Station and Falkland Gardens	N/A
Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road	
Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area	
North of the High Street	
The High Street and associated areas	
South Street	
Trinity Green area	
Haslar Marina	
The Gosport Lines	
8. Is there anything in the SPD that particularly concerns you and why?	We would like to see health and wellbeing as a stronger theme running through the SPD, particularly as promoting health and wellbeing is one of Gosport's Strategic Priorities (according to the Corporate Plan).
9. Are there any other sites within the Waterfront and Town Centre area which have potential for development?	N/A

10. Please can you give any suggestions of what else the Council should consider to include in the final version of the SPD?	Mapping and data on the demographic and health status (including mapping of the business & housing type, and current infrastructure provision, for example) of the population covered by this SPD proposal. This would make for easy identification of relevant localised ?significant health issues? eluded to in this plan, thus informing developers and decision makers as to the potential developmental impact of, mitigation against and opportunities for benefits to the public health of Gosport?s population affected by a proposed development.
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