

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E 3400

**Transport & Development Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
Review**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Tim Ball, Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing
The Issue	<p>Upon its adoption the Local Plan Partial Update (LPPU) will introduce new policies that seek to further encourage and facilitate the shift towards sustainable modes of transport. Primarily to support and supplement the new and updated policies, the Transport and Development Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) has been prepared. The SPD sets out greater detail on these policies that is not appropriate to include in the Local Plan.</p> <p>Following the recent consultation on the Draft Transport & Development SPD, a number of changes have been made and incorporated into the final version of the SPD proposed for adoption.</p>
Decision Date	5 th January 2023
The decision	<p>The Cabinet member agrees that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The Transport & Development SPD (attached as Appendix 1) is adopted; and2) The Head of Planning has delegated authority to make any necessary editorial changes, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing, prior to the publication of the adoption of the Transport & Development SPD; and3) The Head of Planning has delegated authority to remove text in the SPD, which will be superseded on LPPU adoption. The text in question will make clear that where the SPD applies to the LPPU policies ST1-3, ST5, ST7, SCR9, H2, H2a & LCR6 this will only be applied to planning applications determined on or after the date of the adoption of the LPPU.
Rationale for decision	<p>The Transport and Development SPD builds upon policies in the adopted Local Plan and provides more detailed guidance and advice for developers on the application of policies. The document further strengthens the council's focus on sustainable transport, travel choice and reducing car dependency.</p> <p>The SPD provides clarity for anyone involved in the development process for "what good looks like" to B&NES Council, drawing on Best Practice.</p>

	<p>The SPD covers Walking and Cycling; Parking; Ultra-Low Emission Vehicles; and Travel Plans.</p> <p>The decision to move the Parking standards from the Local Plan to a SPD provides more agility to control parking levels, and review on a more regular basis because the level of process required to revise is significantly reduced. Transferring parking standards into a SPD also provides an opportunity to include a greater level of detail and specificity in guidance</p>
Financial and budget implications	<p>The preparation of the Transport & Development SPD, including consultation on the draft SPD and consideration of the issues raised, has been undertaken by the Transport Policy and Planning Policy Teams and the costs covered within the existing salary budget and the Council's Transport Planning budget. Following adoption, the Transport & Development SPD will be implemented within existing staff resources</p> <p>The SPD has introduced some additional detail on the way in which policies will be implemented. Where the new requirements are to mitigate the impact of the proposed development they will be secured through Planning Obligations (S106 agreements).</p>
Issues considered (these are covered in more detail in the report)	Sustainability; Corporate; Other Legal Considerations; Equality
Consultation undertaken	<p>The statutory public consultation period under Regulation 12 (b) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 was carried out for 6 weeks in August to October 2021. The Council has followed its Statement of Community Involvement. A consultation statement has been prepared setting out the details of the consultation, a summary of the responses received, and Council comments on each of the key issues raised.</p> <p>The preparation of the SPD was undertaken in consultation with Council Services, particularly with the Transport Policy, Highways and Development Management teams.</p> <p>A range of external stakeholders have been consulted on the Draft SPD including Ward Councillors across B&NES, Parish and Town Councils, Local Residents Associations and National Highways</p>
How consultation was carried out	Public consultation based on Council's Statement of Community Involvement. A Consultation Statement has been prepared – refer Appendix 2 to Report.
Other options considered	There is no other legislative mechanism to make SPDs and to not adopt the Transport and Development SPD will leave standing policy absent of detail on the way on which they will be implemented. The SPD provides detail on development plan

	policy requirements and national policy and does not create new or additional policy requirements.
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision, including any dispensation granted:	None.
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	None.

Signatures of Decision Makers	Cllr Tim Ball
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Date of Signature	5 th January 2023
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Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision