




Internal_ID	44923
USER_Forename	
USER_Surname	
USER_Username	
PAGE_PagePublishedDate	29/09/2017 18:31
1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?	Ideals. Good to have ideals to bring economic growth to the town centre and waterfront. Achievable. The long term planning proposals are unlikely to be achieved due the fiscal constraint policies of central and local government, a patchwork of development options will not attract premium developers also the low income social demographic of the locality will deter investors. Realm. Sites which appeal to visitors are limited to the two premium sites; the Explosion and Sub-marine museums. Marine. The patchwork of development options will produce slow economic growth but no real benefit to the local community only the visiting marine trade.
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?)	Strengths. Great access to the harbour and open sea. The existing marine culture Close to Southampton airport, Continental ferry's and National rail network
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?)	Weaknesses. Stronger and larger economic communities nearby; Gun Warf Quay and historic realm; Royal Naval Dockyard, Portsmouth. Existing housing stock un-attractive Existing retail units un-attractive Realm. This is currently the only attraction with nothing to encourage long stay visitors. Parking. Parking for long term, the town centre shoppers and local residents is not adequate.
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?)	Opportunities. There are opportunities to- Improve the realm Improve the transport interchange Improve access to the harbour To attract growth in the marine economy To improve parking for long term and town centre shoppers and local residents.
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?)	Challenges are to- Improve the realm Improve the transport interchange Improve access to the harbour To attract growth in the marine economy To improve parking for long term and town centre shoppers and local residents.
Theme A: Creating an Attractive Townscape	Themes. Townscape. Needs careful redevelopment of existing property and vacant space to enhance the local environment and amenity.

Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities	Employment. The marine economy is the best option to enhance local employment opportunities as the MOD withdraws.
Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience	Retail Shops and Leisure. Retail shopping will continue to decline in unison with the national trend, only the leisure and marine economies will grow.
Theme D: Providing New Homes	Homes. The expansion of housing/home building is not generally required within the locality bar marine related at specific sites.
Theme E: Improving Accessibility	Accessibility. Good links exist at the harbour transport interchange to bus and ferry services, these benefit visitors, local businesses and the local community. Roads. Local roads are overwhelmed by traffic movements and any improvement will be negated by the development of house building on brown field sites surrounding the town centre
Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision	Realm and Green Issues. Some historic buildings exist; they should be promoted to attract visitors. Lost Realm. Demolished historic buildings have not been replaced with buildings of a distinctive image, future development should have an Edwardian or similar theme as this style remained popular into the late 50s and is perceived as substantial, high quality construction, when development is proposed to enhance the high street and surrounding areas.
Theme G: Managing Flood Risk	No Comments.
Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure	The marine economy is the only business to require further development of infrastructure.
Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town	Retail, Shops and Leisure. The predominance of eating establishments in the high street (45) and side streets only detracts from the street scene also useful retailers are lost or driven away by the low footfall of customers. Visitors would be attracted by a diverse range of shops which support leisure or arts and crafts activities and these must be promoted by careful planning and development of the high street, North street, The Precinct or the west end of the high street. No more cafe's are required and less licencing should be encouraged.

The Bus Station and Falkland Gardens	Transport Interchange. This must be a priority to keep the redevelopment of the site as a transport interchange; a hotel is not required incorporating retail units, restaurants or an AI-fresco eating zone. The land must remain in the control of CBC and not pass to a developer. The planning officer must only allow a new interchange similar to the single story glass building at The Hard, Portsmouth to enable visitors and local residents to share the space safely for the benefit of the whole Gosport community. Further the planning officer should create a unique image for Gosport to enhance this important entrance with a contemporary sculpture like the Angel of the North by Antony Gormley or the Sails of the South on the M275 into Portsmouth.
Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road	The North side of Mumby road should be redeveloped to include further marine related facilities, a hotel and residential development to reflect the existing high rise properties, the small commercial trading estate to be demolished. The redevelopment to include access pathways linking with the new promenade and providing views of the harbour to the benefit of visitors and the local community.
Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area	The planning officer should allow further development of the existing marine businesses and infrastructure to include a hotel or residential building in keeping with the existing buildings. Access to the area to be improved for the benefit of visitors and local residents.
North of the High Street	The function of the area is to service the retail units and further redevelopment opportunities are limited, the vacant space and off-street parking areas could be developed into retail units to provide further marine related hobby and leisure activities to enhance the environment amenity.
The High Street and associated areas	To encourage economic growth for the community the planning officer must attract both visitors and the local community to frequent and utilise the high street area by developing a new strategy to bring in a diverse range of retailers. The creation of an arts community by a arts centre development perhaps linked to Portsmouth University could initiate an influx of hobby and leisure shops like cycling, canoeing, and arts and crafts. The marine economy will not support the current high street facilities and will choose Gun Warf Quay for restaurants and the retail shopping experience.
South Street	The law court and police station should be demolished also The Precinct and a hotel built also redevelopment of the area should include commercial units with residential dwellings above, however the Coats road car park to remain as this essential asset serves the high street and is always at capacity on Saturdays. No future development of housing on the South side is required also the road safety risks of pedestrians crossing the busy South street.

Trinity Green area	This is an essential green-space area and must remain as an amenity for visitors and the local community without interruption. No future redevelopment of the ease and west Barclays house units is required, these buildings should be demolished to provide more green-space around opposite the church and create a better amenity, the residents can be re-housed in a redevelopment of the Adenbrooke old peoples day centre near Asda. No future development of the Church path car park as this provides essential parking for local residents. No future housing development of the land between Hammond Court and Harbour Tower however redevelopment of the Hammond (east) garage blocks in conjunction with building a residents car park on part of the land east of Hammond Ct would not detract from the amenity of Trinity Green. No future development of pop-up cafe's along the promenade North or south of the time space.
Haslar Marina	Residential development of the North or south end of the Haslar marina car park should be permitted to include marine businesses and infrastructure. The Haslar or other marina developer to be allowed to extend the moorings from the wave screen up to the ferry pontoon, to provide a mix of long term yacht moorings, local sailing club moorings, harbour pilots or police moorings or Home Office customs boarder control with facilities.
The Gosport Lines	The lines generally to be retained as an open space to provide an amenity for visitors and the local community to enjoy. A limited amount of future housing development to be permitted.
8. Is there anything in the SPD that particularly concerns you and why?	The redevelopment of the bus station site must remain under GBC control not passed to a developer. The new building should be similar to the Richard Rogers designed statement; a single story glass construction which provides a TIC promoting the attractions of Gosport, the ferry ticket office and space for the RN to display a taster of the Explosion and Sub-marine museums. Digital information displays, seating and toilets. The project to be funded by an joint GBC Southern Local Enterprise Partnership contract.
9. Are there any other sites within the Waterfront and Town Centre area which have potential for development?	No comment

<p>10. Please can you give any suggestions of what else the Council should consider to include in the final version of the SPD?</p>	<p>This is a unique opportunity to create an iconic statement a symbol to represent Gosport at the most public entrance to the town often see on television and films and probably see or broadcasted to other countries around the world. This must be the aspiration of the GBC and lead by the planning officer, to create a unique image for Gosport with a contemporary sculpture like the Angel of the North by Antony Gormley or the Sails of the South on the M275 into Portsmouth. DO NOT LET THIS FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY SLIP FROM YOUR GRASP.</p>
<p>11. Please include any comments you may have</p>	<p>No further comments.</p>
<p>12. Please could you complete your contact details</p>	<p>Mr Peter Hudson</p>
<p>Organisation (if applicable)</p>	
<p>Address</p>	
<p>Postcode</p>	
<p>Email</p>	