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Comments Form

PLANNING SERVICES

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Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultation Draft

We are seeking your views on the Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre SPD which provides the planning framework for this part of the Borough.

A copy of the document is available on the Council's website:

www.gosport.gov.uk/waterfrontspd

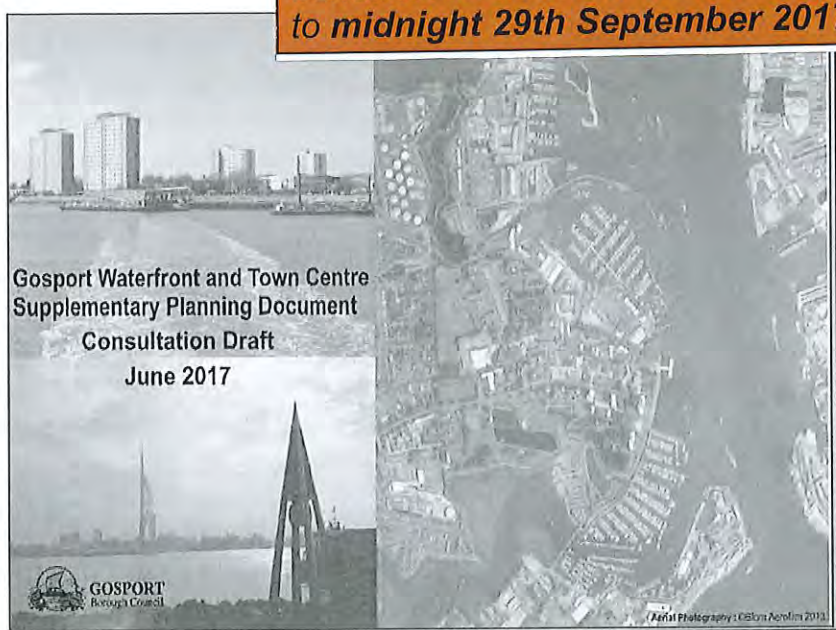
If you have any queries regarding the SPD or about making any representations please contact the Planning Policy Section at planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk or telephone **023 9254 5458**

The Comments Form is divided into sections to assist with structuring any comments you may have.

There is a section near the end of the Comments Form (Question 11) which can be used if you require additional space or make comments not covered by the questions included on the form.

Comments will need to be submitted to Gosport Borough Council by

Consultation deadline now extended to midnight 29th September 2017.



Vision (page 5 of the SPD)

1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?

Surely, if you want to reignite public pride in the Town, it is going to take more than redevelopment to do so, anti-social behaviour needs to be tackled first? ie Youths hanging around in groups/cycling through High Street, Drug Abuse + Drunkenness.

Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Challenges (page 10 of the SPD)

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?)

How can the Street Market be a strength? On Tuesdays there are very few stall holders.

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?)

Our biggest weakness must be, we don't have a train service (are we not the only town without one!) Sadly no chance of having one, so something must be done to make sure current public transport available is maintained with no loss of any services / bus routes.

*Please use back page if you require additional space.

Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Challenges (page in SPD)

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?)

With the redevelopment of unused and under-utilised areas, I hope it would attract more film makers to use sites around Gosport. Do we really need more bars/restaurants? Need to focus more on retail and leisure facilities.

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?)

How is it possible to have these proposed redevelopment(s) if the H.C.C has to make budget cuts? Would it not be better to maintain/improve what we already have? Then the money could be better spent on education, medical facilities and keep bus routes?

Themes (including the objectives, principles and examples given)

6. Please include any comments you may have regarding:

Theme A: Creating an Attractive Townscape (page 19 of the SPD)

Benches that are wider, to accommodate those who are bigger built, not everyone are skinny to sit on existing benches/seats! Why were they changed in the first place?

Plant flowers in different colours/themes at different times of year eg

Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities (page 26 of the SPD)

It is all very well promoting the marine sector but would that mean jobs for locals or people from outside Gosport? Could the police station be converted into a youth centre and not residential?

Young people hang around in groups, mostly outside McDonalds, they need activities to keep them from boredom, which is cause of most of anti-social behaviour.

Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience (page 29 of the SPD)

We have lost at least two shops this year - Age UK and Store 21. Be nice to see gift shops. To keep locals shopping locally and attracting visitors we need to offer attractions/retail that other places don't have. (bowling alley maybe) A cinema would be great!

Theme D: Providing New Homes (page 32 of the SPD)

of the 700-900 dwellings to be built, how many will be for affordable/social rent and starter homes?

Theme E: Improving Accessibility (page 34 of the SPD)

When it comes to designing a new interchange, will the public be consulted before any work commences?

Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision (page 40 of the SPD)

Themes (including the objectives, principles and examples given)

Please include any comments you may have regarding:

Theme G: Managing Flood Risk (page 44 of the SPD)
Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure (page 49 of the SPD)

Don't change too much, just improve.

Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town (page 50 of the SPD)

How is this possible when there is a proposal for a drive-thru McDonalds near Fort Brockhurst? Encouraging people to walk is great but you must take into consideration, people cycle through High Street and the increased use of mobility scooters who are not always considerate to pedestrians! Implement a speed limit perhaps?

Character Areas

7. Please include any comments you may have regarding the proposals for the Character areas (including: What else would you like to see? Additional opportunities? Issues not covered? Concerns or queries?)

The Bus Station and Falkland Gardens (page 55 of the SPD)

If there is proposals to enhance the Falkland Gardens, then the Falkland Veterans + Families should be consulted first, out of respect, if anything else. As for the bus station, I hope the current size is maintained and not made smaller.

Gosport Waterfront North of Mumby Road (page 60 of the SPD)
Royal Clarence Yard and the Retained Area (page 61 of the SPD)
North of the High Street (page 64 of the SPD)
The High Street and associated areas (page 67 of the SPD)

Have adequate access to toilets, from one end to the other.

Character Areas

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South Street (page 70 of the SPD)

Trinity Green area (page 73 of the SPD)

Haslar Marina (page 77 of the SPD)

The Gosport Lines (page 79 of the SPD)

Overall comments

8. Is there anything in the SPD that particularly concerns you and why?

Housing and Employment go hand in hand, so I hope you can create more jobs, otherwise nobody will be able to afford the new housing!

9. Are there any other sites within the Waterfront and Town Centre area which have potential for development?

What about Haslar Detention Centre, could that be developed, perhaps for residential use?

10. Please can you give any suggestions of what else the Council should consider to include in the final version of the SPD?

Appropriate measures to help the homeless, a shelter perhaps, a converted bus?

Any further comments?

11. Please include any comments you may have

Entice new businesses into the High Street by offering an incentive, perhaps low rates of council tax for their first year.

Encourage more stall holders to the Market, especially on a Tuesday, with lower rates of rent per pitch. Then maybe after a year review their circumstances, this is why people go online with their business, as there are no overheads to worry about.

Free parking, for the first hour or two, then pay if want to stay longer (50p more each hour).

Can Gosport have their Carnival back please, it always helped bring people together. **More space available on the back page.*

Contact details

12. Please could you complete your contact details.

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Data protection: Gosport Borough Council is registered under the Data Protection Act 1998. The information that you provide in completing this form will only be used by the Council in the development of Planning documents. Please note that private individuals will not be named when we report comments to the Council's Board. However hard copies of each comments form will be available for inspection at the Town Hall once the consultation period is completed (address, and e-mail details will be redacted).

Returning responses

Comments can either be sent to Deputy Head of Planning Services (Policy)
Gosport Borough Council
Town Hall
High Street
Gosport
PO12 1EB

or emailed to planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk

What happens next?

All comments received will be reported to the relevant Council Board together with any proposed actions and/or amendments to the SPD as a result of the consultation process. The SPD will then be recommended for adoption and will become a key consideration when determining future planning applications. Future planning applications will also be subject to public consultation.

Additional space for comments.

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