

Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre SPD comments form

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1. Do you have any comments regarding the Vision?	I object to the majority of the proposal- residents have not been consulted properly. I do not want a high rise "iconic building". It should be open public space, maybe a playground/ picnic area. You should not be losing far parking spaces which are already at a premium. You definitely should not be building more houses whilst taking parking away! Be brave and create a public space which sets us apart from Portsmouth- be the open space which people would travel to visit.
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?)	As above, strongly disagree with the majority of the proposal. It feels like a money making scheme with total disregard for the character of the town centre.
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?)	As above- the plan is inherently weak- parking is already a problem so why make it worse. A well designed public recreation ground would attract tourists as a unique viewing area for Portsmouth harbour. An "iconic building" does not bring anything special to the town.
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?)	The questions in this form are ridiculous, you have phrased the same question four different ways.
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?)	As above. But now five different ways.
Theme A: Creating an Attractive Townscape	Your plan will not create an attractive townscape.
Theme B: Creating New Employment Opportunities	Perhaps, but the negatives far out way the slight opportunity for employment, I think you'll find most residents would agree. Unemployment in the town is improving, this scheme should not be sold as benefitting employment- any gains will be short term and ultimately minimal.
Theme C: Enhancing the Shopping and Leisure Experience	Nope- no point having great shops if people can't park to visit them.
Theme D: Providing New Homes	Definitely should not be allowed on this scale in the town centre. We need new homes, but not here.
Theme E: Improving Accessibility	The plan does not improve accessibility. A bus station is a bus station no matter what it looks like.
Theme F: Improving Public Realm and Green Infrastructure Provision	This form is so long winded you are trying to put people off completing it.
Theme G: Managing Flood Risk	See above
Theme H: Providing Appropriate Infrastructure	See above
Theme J: Creating a Healthier Town	Come off it

The Bus Station and Falkland Gardens	Bus station needs updating, but could be smaller. Falklands Gardens should remain untouched, only changed if enhanced i.e adding an adventure playground or picnic area
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?	Already mentioned above- the proposal to build an "iconic building" and the reduction of parking spaces whilst simultaneously building new homes
9. Are there any other sites within the Waterfront and Town Centre area which have potential for development?	The council buildings. Sorry - on a serious note, you should know this, you employ the planners, I'm sure you already have many other sites identified.
10. Please can you give any suggestions of what else the Council should consider to include in the final version of the SPD?	Scrap it and start again properly. Proper public consultation. Consult the shop owners in the high street. Consult the residents that already have problems parking. This is a shocking scheme that appears to be being bulldozed through, presumably at financial gain to the council.
11. Please include any comments you may have	This form is designed to put people off commenting- it is not at all user friendly. Ashamed of you as a council right now.
12. Please could you complete your contact details	Nope
Organisation (if applicable)	Nope
Address	None of your business
Postcode	Nope
Email	