

Consultation on West End Village Design Statement Draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Summary

The West End Village Design Group has produced a West End Village Design Statement (VDS). The VDS sets out a description of the different character areas of West End and sets out design guidelines for these areas. The VDS will support policies in the Council's Core Strategy.

A VDS is guidance, not policy, and cannot stop development happening but can provide additional information in respect of design and character.

This Report is seeking Executive agreement to undertake a six week statutory consultation on the VDS in respect of it becoming a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).

Following consultation a report will be taken to Executive to consider its adoption as an SPD

Portfolio- Regulatory

Date Portfolio Holder signed off report 8th March 2016

Wards Affected

West End

Recommendation

The Executive is advised to RESOLVE to agree to the Council undertaking a statutory consultation on the draft West End Village Design Statement SPD

1. Resource Implications

- 1.1 There are no resource implications beyond that provided for within the agreed budget for 2016/17.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The role of a Village Design Statement (VDS) is to support policies in the Council's adopted Local Plan and in particular, to the Development Management Policies by providing local guidance on design issues. A VDS cannot determine whether permission should be granted or not, that is the role of the Local Plan.
- 2.2 The West End Village Design Group has produced a Draft West End Village Design Statement which describes the character areas of West End and sets out design guidelines for each of these areas.

- 2.3 If adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document the VDS can be used as a guidance document in the consideration of planning applications in West End.

3. Options

- 3.1 The Options are as follows:

- (i) to **Agree** to the Council undertaking a six week Statutory Consultation on the Draft West End Village Design Statement as a draft Supplementary Planning Document
- (ii) to **Not Agree** to the Council undertaking a six week Statutory Consultation on the Draft West End Village Design Statement as a draft Supplementary Planning Document.

4. Proposals

- 4.1 It is proposed that the draft West End Village Design Statement is subject to a six week statutory consultation as a draft Supplementary Planning Document.
- 4.2 Following consultation a report will be taken to Executive to consider its adoption as a Supplementary Planning Document.

5. Supporting Information

- 5.1 The West End Village Design Group has undertaken consultation on the Draft VDS with residents and businesses in West End.

6. Corporate Objectives And Key Priorities

- 6.1 The West End Village Design Statement will help achieve Corporate Objective 1.

7. Policy Framework

- 7.1 Will add a level of detail to the Council's Core Strategy and Development Management DPD.

8. Consultation

- 8.1 Will require a six week statutory consultation period.

9. Officer Comments

- 9.1 None.

Annexes	Draft West Village Design Statement
Background Papers	None
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Consultations, Implications and Issues Addressed

Resources	Required	Consulted
Revenue		
Capital		
Human Resources		
Asset Management		
IT		
Other Issues	Required	Consulted
Corporate Objectives & Key Priorities	✓	<u>7th March 2016</u>
Policy Framework		
Legal	✓	<u>7th March 2016</u>
Governance		
Sustainability		
Risk Management		
Equalities Impact Assessment		
Community Safety		
Human Rights		
Consultation		
P R & Marketing	✓	<u>7th March 2016</u>

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