

Draft High Quality Design Supplementary Planning Document

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Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
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Wards Affected	All
Ward Councillor Consulted	N/A

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

- 1.1 The Bromsgrove District Plan 2011-2030 (BDP) was adopted on 25th January 2017 and this draft High Quality Design Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) (attached at Appendix A) is to supplement a number of Policies in the BDP, Officers are seeking Members approval to proceed with public consultation.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 **That Cabinet approves public consultation for the draft High Quality Design SPD.**

3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

- 3.1 The Officer work on the preparation of the SPD and public consultation is contained within departmental budgets and additional finances are not required.

Legal Implications

- 3.2 This draft SPD has been produced in accordance with the relevant planning regulations contained in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended 2008). Once adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document, it will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.
- 3.3 Post consultation, a summary of responses including subsequent changes will be detailed in a Cabinet report. The amended High Quality Design SPD will then be presented to the Council to request the document be formally adopted.

Service / Operational Implications

- 3.4 The Design SPD will be a material consideration in planning decisions within the District and will provide further guidance for determining planning applications. On adoption, four existing SPGs will be superseded.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 3.5 The public consultation will provide the opportunity for those working, living and with an interest in planning in the District to comment on the draft High Quality Design SPD.
- 3.6 All statutory consultees, including the Parish Councils, will be consulted as part of the consultation process, as will a range of bodies Officers consider to have an interest in the preparation of the SPD. Officers consulted a range of internal Officers on the SPD contents and have amended the SPD according to suggestions.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 Without a new Design SPD, the existing Supplementary Planning Guidance documents 1, 2, 4 and 5 will continue to be used. These were adopted in 2004, but were drafted in 1994 and are therefore out of date. Furthermore, these documents relate to the superseded Bromsgrove District Local Plan 2004 rather than the adopted Bromsgrove District Plan 2011-2030.
- 4.2 This new Design SPD will ensure that up-to-date guidance is available based on the existing BDP policies. This will aid in planning decisions and should reduce the number of developments granted at appeal.

5. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Bromsgrove draft High Quality Design SPD

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Bromsgrove District Plan 2011-2030

7. KEY

BDP – Bromsgrove District Plan
SPG – Supplementary Planning Guidance
SPD – Supplementary Planning Document

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