

TITLE OF REPORT:	Gateshead Local Plan - Placemaking Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and Specialist and Supported Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
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Purpose of the Report

1. To approve the Placemaking Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and Specialist and Supported Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for adoption following public consultation, and to approve publication of Consultation Reports summarising the approach to consultation and responses received to each SPD.

Background

2. The Placemaking Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) was first adopted in 2012. An update is required following the adoption of Making Spaces for Growing Places (MSGP) in February 2021, which resulted in the related deletion of policies from the Unitary Development Plan.
3. The SPD includes updated information on Areas of Special Character and Routeways and Gateways. The SPD does not set policy but provides more detailed planning policy guidance on the principles of good design for all types of development within Gateshead. The updated SPD also takes account of the changing and emerging changes in the national planning system. The SPD is set out in Appendix 2.
4. The draft Specialist and Supported Accommodation SPD builds upon, and is consistent with, policies contained within the adopted Local Plan documents for Gateshead, including The Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan (CS&UCP) and Making Spaces for Growing Places (MSGP). It will also work in conjunction with the Council's Social Care Market Position Statement (MPS), and evidence within both the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA). The SPD provides guidance to those intending to develop and seek planning permission for specialist and supported accommodation in Gateshead. It sets out:
 - what the Council takes into account when considering the suitability of specialist and supported accommodation;
 - expected general standards for development;

- matters of consideration relating to specific types of accommodation.

The SPD is set out in Appendix 3.

Proposal

5. Adopt the Placemaking Supplementary Planning and Specialist and Supported Housing Supplementary Planning Document.
6. Publish a Consultation Report for each SPD, setting out the approach to consultation, comments submitted, and the Council's response.

Recommendation

7. Cabinet is asked to:
 - (i) Recommend Full Council to adopt the Placemaking Supplementary Planning Document and Specialist and Supported Housing Supplementary Planning Document; and
 - (ii) Approve the publication of a Consultation Report for each of the SPDs.

For the following reasons:

- i. To enable the Council to effectively deliver the Local Plan.
- ii. To ensure full public engagement on the Placemaking Supplementary Planning Document in line with Gateshead's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

Policy context

1. The Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan for Gateshead and Newcastle (CSUCP) was adopted on the 25th March 2015 and forms part of the Gateshead Local Plan. Making Spaces for Growing Places, part 3 of the Local Plan was adopted 1st February 2021. These SPDs are supplementary to the CSUCP and MSGP.
2. The SPDs does not set policy but provides a framework for implementation of various policies, most notably;
 - a. Placemaking SPD: CS15: Placemaking, UC12: Urban Design and MSGP24: Design Quality.
 - b. Specialist and Supported Housing SPD: CS9, CS11, CS13, CS14, CS15 and CS16, and Making Spaces for Growing Places (MSGP) Policies MSGP10, MSGP11, MSGP12 and MSGP14.
3. The SPDs have been prepared in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Town & Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and is a material consideration in the determination of planning applications

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Consultation

6. In preparing this report, consultation has taken place with the, The Leader and Deputy Leader, Environment and Transport Portfolio, Housing and Economy Portfolio, and Joint Adults and Health Portfolio.

Alternative options

7. There are no alternative options.

Implications of Recommendation

8. Resources:

- a. **Financial Implications** – The Strategic Director, Resources and Digital confirms there are no financial implications arising from this report.
- b. **Human Resources Implications** – There are no human resource implications arising from this report.
- c. **Property Implications** - There are no direct property implications arising from this report. The SPD forms part of the Local Plan which has been subject to viability testing.

9. **Risk Management Implication** – There is a risk that without a robust SPD that meets legal requirements, a sufficiency and quality of suitable and sustainable specialist and supported accommodation will not be delivered, and development is more likely to contribute to an oversupply of some provision, unnecessarily adding to local care and support costs, and placing unjustifiable demands on existing wider infrastructure and services in Gateshead (including health, social care and education).

10. **Equality and Diversity Implications** – The SPDs support the Local Plan which includes an Equalities Impact Assessment.

11. **Crime and Disorder Implications** – The Specialist and Supported Housing SPD will help ensure that the potential impact of specialist and supported accommodation will be considered in relation to neighbourhood sustainability, community cohesion and local housing market balance.

12. **Health Implications** – The SPDs support the Local Plan which includes a Health Impact Assessment.

13. **Climate Emergency and Sustainability Implications** – The SPDs support the Local Plan which includes a detailed Sustainability Appraisal.

14. **Human Rights Implications** - None.

15. **Ward Implications** – All.