

# Miscellaneous Matters

## Statement of Consultation

(Reg 22 c Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.)

Partial Review of the Core Strategy



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## 1. Statement of Consultation

- 1.1 The 'Miscellaneous Matters' policy review covers those matters not addressed in the other topic reviews. The review is intended to be an updating exercise and does not include any significant changes to current policy. With the responses received the only changes that were made were wording changes and updates where necessary. Just eleven representations were received to the second draft consultation and only 8 to the publication policy consultation. None have resulted in any significant changes to policy. All representations were taken into account. The Council's report titled 'Miscellaneous Matters: Consultation Responses to (April 2014)' shows how each comment was taken into account. A number of changes to improve the clarity of the text were made throughout the reasoned justification of the draft policies as a result of the rounds of consultation. A detailed response to all the representations has been included in a separate document.
- 1.2 The Council has undertaken a range of consultation in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement and the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (the Regulations). This statement meets the requirements of Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

It describes the three consultation stages in the preparation of the miscellaneous matters policies.

- Miscellaneous Matters Draft Policy Consultation Dec 2012/ Jan 2013 (Regulation 18 Consultation)
- Miscellaneous Matters Second Draft Policy Consultation Mar / May 2013 (Regulation 18 Consultation)
- Miscellaneous Matters Draft Policy Consultation –Jul / Sep 2013 (Regulation 20 Consultation)

Which bodies and persons were invited to make representations under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

#### 1.3 Who was invited?

The Local Planning Authority invited 945 bodies and persons to make representations (435 by email and 510 by letter) to the initial consultation which were all the bodies included in the Local Plan database which has been compiled since 2005. This includes both general consultation bodies and specific consultation bodies. The specific consultation bodies consulted included the Environment Agency; English Nature, English Heritage and the Mayor of London (GLA).

## 1.4 How those bodies and persons were invited to make such representations?

The consultees were invited to make representations on-line through a specific consultation portal, in writing to the Executive Director, Planning and

Borough Development or by email, either as an email in its own right or a document attached to an email. Consultation workshops were also held and the results of these workshops were recorded and taken into account as part of policy development.

- 1.5 In addition to the targeted mailing to the organisations and individuals on the Council's Local Plan database the Council sends weekly Planning Bulletins which publicises forthcoming consultations and public events to about 1,170 subscribers. The Planning Bulletin subscribers include those on the Local Plan and TRA database, elected members, residents and internal staff. It is continually updated to include people wishing to subscribe.
- 1.6 The consultation documents were available on the Council's website and in hard copy in all the libraries in the Borough and at Council Offices at each consultation.

#### 2.0 A summary of the main issues raised by the representations made pursuant to regulation 18, and how any representations made pursuant to regulation 18 have been taken into account

The main issues raised at this stage included the following:

- 2.1 That the NPPF had been interpreted incorrectly. This is a matter of interpretation which the Council does not agree with and so no change was made pursuant to this comment.
- 2.2 Some comments made also relating to issues covered by the policy review of basement and the draft policy CL7, which was not considered under this consultation. Therefore, again, no change was considered appropriate.
- 2.3 A comment was received which stated that updated guidance should be referred to. This was considered appropriate and the relevant changes made.
- 2.4 Concerns were also raised regarding the remediation of contaminated land and archaeological issues. To address this concern, some additional text was added to supplement CE7 was added.
- 2.5 It was suggested that a definition of heritage asset should be included. This was considered a reasonable request and so the relevant addition made.
- 2.6 Further wording changes were suggested mainly by the Kensington Society, however only some were considered appropriate, relevant and warranting changes. These included mentioning the affordable housing target in CP4, the reference to the Olympics has been deleted, and some wording amended in line with NPPF and updated to bring into line with the London Plan.

### 3.0 Second round consultation (Regulation 18)

3.1 The LPA invited 770 bodies and persons by email and 582 bodies and persons by letter to the second round consultation. Just eleven representations were received to the second draft consultation.

3.2 With the responses received to this round of consultation, the only changes that were made were wording changes and updates where necessary. None of the representatives received raised any new concerns or issues, or resulted in significant changes to the policies or text.

### 4.0 **Publication stage consultation (Regulation 19)**

- 4.1 The LPA invited 846 bodies and persons by email and 587 bodies and persons by letter to the publication stage consultation. A total of 8 responses were received to this consultation.
- 4.2 The main issues raised at this stage included the request that basements, and their associated issues relating to noise nuisance and other disturbances during construction, be explicitly referenced in the revised policy CE6.
- 4.3 Suggested changes also include revising the wording of the supporting text for policy CP1 to make reference to conversions, adding the word streetscape to the policy CP4, and further wording changes to CT1 and CR7 again to make reference to issues raised during construction work. Given that the majority of the issued raised at this stage are not relevant, or make reference to policy issues not covered by this review, no change is recommended (aside from the footnote wording changes suggested by EH).