Test Valley Borough Council

Draft New Forest International Nature Conservation Designations: Recreational Mitigation Framework Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Statement of Consultation

The draft New Forest International Nature Conservation Designations: Recreational Mitigation Framework SPD covers the Borough and is to provide advice on how the need for mitigation in relation to recreational impacts on the New Forest international nature conservation designations is to be implemented. This is linked to Policy E5 of the adopted Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan 2016.

It is the Council's opinion that the below supporting documents are relevant to the preparation of the draft SPD:

- Adopted Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan Development Plan Document 2011-2029
- Recreation use of the New Forest SAC/SPA/Ramsar Reports by Footprint Ecology

The consultation period during which representation can be made, **Friday 12 November to 12 noon on Friday 10 December 2021**, a four week period (28 days).

Representations should either be:

- Sent in writing to Planning Policy and Economic Development Service, Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 3AJ; or
- Emailed to <u>planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk</u>.

Any representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specific address of adoption of the document as an SPD.

If the draft SPD is adopted, it would supersede the New Forest SPA Mitigation – Interim Framework, which was approved on 1 October 2014.

The Council is consulting the following bodies listed below prior to adoption of the document as an SPD. It is considered that this is in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning Matters (SCI) 2017.

Specific Consultation Bodies

As detailed in the Statement of Community Involvement (2017), Appendix 1 – including neighbouring local planning authorities, all town and parish councils within and adjoining Test Valley Borough, and Natural England.

General Consultation Bodies

As detailed in the Statement of Community Involvement (2017), Appendix 2 – organisations for which the Council has contact details within Planning Policy consultation database.

Other Interested Parties
Council's Planning Policy consultation database
Members of Council's 'Planning Agents Group'
Dorset Council
BCP Council
Forestry England

Sustainability Appraisal

Section 180 (5) (d) Planning Act (2008) removed the compulsory requirement for a Sustainability Appraisal for a SPD. It is not considered that this SPD would have a significant social, environmental or economic effect, therefore this document has not been subject to assessment under The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (as amended).

