## CHILWORTH VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

## STATEMENT OF CONSULTATION

Consultation and community involvement has been undertaken locally with the community within the parish of Chilworth, in line with;

- The Countryside Agency guidance document on Village Design Statements "Village Design – making local character count in new development" (CCP 501) (1996) www.countryside.gov.uk/Publications/articles/Publication\_tcm2-19458.asp
- The Council's "Village Design Statements Planning Guidance Note" (2000).

It is considered by the Council that the above documents, together with the;

- Test Valley Borough Local Plan (1996)
- Test Valley Borough Local Plan Review: Revised Deposit Draft (2004)

are the relevant supporting documents which in the opinion of the Council are relevant to the preparation of the Village Design Statement as an SPD.

## Details of Consultation to Date

- Chilworth Parish Council decided to proceed with a VDS for Chilworth in May 2001
- Chilworth Residents Committee asked to undertake its preparation.
- A group of volunteers (VDS committee) with various skills was then formed. In July 2001, this group attended a meeting in Petersfield to hear helpful advice regarding the process of preparing the VDS for the parish of Buriton.
- Public meeting was held 22 November 2001 at which the project was explained to local residents who were asked for comments, suggestions etc.
- A postal survey was conducted of all the households in Chilworth parish. An excellent response of over 50% was achieved.
- Further public meeting was held on 14 January 2003, at which the outcome of the survey was presented, further information provided and feedback sought. A further questionnaire was circulated asking what else people wanted.
- Further public meeting was held on 16 February 2004 at which copies of the draft were displayed and a copy of the text was provided to everyone who attended.
- All public meetings were publicised by leafleting all properties in the parish and displaying details on the Parish Council notice boards.
- The VDS committee has met regularly from July 2001 to the present. From January 2002 to October 2003, the committee met approximately monthly and has met more frequently as necessary.
- During the drafting stage, members of the VDS committee have discussed the content with Chilworth residents and their views have been taken into account.
- Officers of the Council have been kept fully informed of progress.

The Village Design Statement has been written, designed and subsequently amended to take account of the responses received during the process of consultation and community involvement. It also takes into account comments made by officers of the Council as local planning authority.

## **Formal SPD Consultation**

The Council is consulting the following bodies listed below prior to adoption of the Chilworth Village Design Statement as an SPD. It is considered that this takes account of Council's Draft Statement of Community Involvement in Planning Matters (SCI).

The Council does not intend request the opinion of the South East England Regional Assembly (SEERA) as Regional Planning Body (RPB) under Sec.24 (2) (b) Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as to the general conformity of the SPD with the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS), since it is not considered that it raises issues other than those of local concern.

Parish Councils Chilworth Parish Council

North Baddesley Parish Council Nursling and Rownhams Parish Council

Test Valley Association of Parish Councils

Local Authorities Eastleigh Borough Council Hampshire County Council Southampton City Council

Major Landowners and Land Interests Forest Enterprise Highways Agency Willis Fleming Estate

<u>Business Interests</u> Chilworth Manor Hotel Chilworth Science Park

<u>Community Interests</u> Chilworth Residents Committee

Local Strategic Partnership (Test Valley Partnership)

<u>Developer and Planning Interests</u> (notification letter only) Council Planning Consultants and Developers List Home Builders Federation (HBF) Local Development Framework Keep Informed Database