

DRAFT LONGSTOCK VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

STATEMENT OF CONSULTATION

Consultation and community involvement has been undertaken locally with the community of the Parish of Longstock, in line with;

- Natural England guidance document on Village Design Statements “*Village Design – making local character count in new development*” (CCP 501) (1996)
- 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 2006*

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

Details of Consultation to Date

- Preparation developed from previous Parish Plan process.
- Initiation of process VDS following completion of Parish Plan Action Plan.
- VDS sub-committee established.
- First draft VDS prepared.
- Second draft VDS prepared.
- Open village meeting to report progress and seek input in Parish Plan and VDS to which over 60 people attended.
- Second draft issued to every household in Longstock.
- Responses to consultation received and reviewed.
- Final draft reviewed and endorsed by Parish Plan steering group and parish council.
- Planning officer comments received from the Council.
- Revised final draft completed for submission to the Council.

The draft Longstock 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 does not intend request the opinion of the South East England Partnership Board (SEEPB) as Regional Planning Body (RPB) under Section 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. The current RSS is *The South East Plan – Regional Spatial Strategy for the South East of England* (2009).

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

Parish Councils

Longstock Parish Council

Houghton Parish Council

Leckford Parish Council

Nether Wallop Parish Council

Stockbridge Parish Council

Wherwell Parish Council

Test Valley Association of Parish Councils

Local Authorities

Hampshire County Council, Environment Department

Statutory Environmental Consultation Bodies

English Heritage

Environment Agency

Natural England

Business Interests

Longstock Park Nursery (Leckford Estate)

Longstock Park Water Gardens (Leckford Estate)

Community Interests

Local Strategic Partnership (Test Valley Partnership)

Developer and Planning Interests (notification letter only)

Council Planning Consultants and Developers List

Home Builders Federation (HBF)

Local Development Framework (LDF) Keep Informed List

Sustainability Appraisal

The Council has not prepared a Sustainability Appraisal (SA) for the SPD as:

- it is not considered that the SPD would have significant social, environmental or economic effects that are not covered in the SA prepared for the Core Strategy (CS) DPD; and
- it is not required by the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive 2001/42/EC.

Section 180(5)(d) Planning Act 2008 removed the compulsory requirement for a SA for an SPD.