



Hull Local Plan: 2016 to 2032

Healthy Places, Healthy People Supplementary Planning Document 14

Consultation Statement

December 2020

Background

- 1.1 In preparing Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) the Council is required to follow the procedures laid down in the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulation 2012.
- 1.2 Regulation 12 states that before adoption of a SPD the local planning authority must prepare a statement setting out:
 - the persons that the local authority consulted with when preparing the SPD;
 - a summary of the main issues raised by those persons; and
 - how those issues have been addressed in the SPD.
- 1.3 This Consultation Statement accompanies the Healthy Places, Healthy People Supplementary Planning Document. This document provides additional planning guidance on planning policies throughout the Hull Local Plan: 2016 to 2032, which was adopted on the 23rd November 2017.

Consultation

- 2.1 Preparation of the draft SPD involved engagement with other Council departments, principally Public Health and their partners. The draft SPD has been through the Council's committee regime and elected members have had the opportunity to comment on the draft document.
- 2.2 The draft SPD was made available for public consultation for six weeks between Monday 12th October 2020 and Monday 23th November 2020. A public notice to publicise this event was published in the Hull Daily Mail on Monday 5th October 2020. The consultation was also reported to Planning Committee and Cabinet in September 2020.
- 2.3 The draft SPD and associated documentation was made available for inspection on the Council's website.

Consultation responses and main issues

- 3.1 Following the six weeks consultation period the Council received 6 representations. Most of these support the SPD and express agreement with the aims of the document. Representations were submitted by The Chair of Hull People's Memorial, the Council's Access Officer, Highways England, Sports England, Historic England and The British Horse Society. A summary of these representations together with the Council's response are contained in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The main issues raised through the consultation were:-
- Public sector duties - it was suggested that there should be a link made between planning, place-making, public health and the Equality Act 2010 in the SPD, and this link could include the Council's public sector equality duties.
 - Sustainable neighbourhood design - several responders strongly supported the role of good design in making healthier environments. It was also suggested that Local Plan Policy 21 - Designing for housing should be included in the document and that a link should be made between this SPD and SPD 13 - City Centre Design Guide in the Sustainable neighbourhood design chapter.
 - Equestrian activities - the response from the British Horse Society presented evidence of the health and social wellbeing benefits gained from horse riding. The points raised by the society had not been considered before, when preparing the SPD, so consideration has been given to how equestrian activities could be addressed in this document. These points, while certainly important to the aims of the Healthy Places, Healthy People SPD, are not wholly applicable for a highly urbanised area like Hull.

Main changes to the SPD

- 4.1 The responses to the consultation have been considered in preparing

the final SPD and the main changes are summarised below:

- add a new paragraph 1.3 to include a reference to the Equality Act 2010 and the Council's public sector duties;
- amend paragraph 4.5 to include a reference to Local Plan Policy 21 and add a brief description of the policies aims. Add Policy 21 to Appendix 1;
- amend paragraph 4.9, it include text identifying individual groups who would benefit from creating better physical environments after the bullet point that begins 'creates physical environments that work...';
- amend the introduction to the Housing and homelessness chapter to include the JSNA evidence on how being homeless or rough sleeping has a detrimental effect on peoples physical and mental health; and
- amend paragraph 4.43 to delete the text that references that facilities and services should be open to all and gives 3 examples of the type of people this could apply to.

Appendix 1: Summary of representations

Respondent	Comments Received	Council Response
Chair - The Hull People's Memorial	<p>Re the consultation into SDP - 14 Healthy Places, Healthy People, Whitefriargate/Silver Street is rapidly being turned into a no-go area with the number of daytime/evening drunks being attracted into the ever-expanding low-grade Public Houses being permitted by planners. The idea was meant to be to turn the street backwards to 'the good old days', with tea shops/cafes, but this has changed surreptitiously since the ascent of COVID-fog on the area.</p> <p>Access by the infirm, elderly and disabled is being actively discouraged (on a scale not too dissimilar to the 'No Blacks' posters of the 1960s) be closing roads on threat of parking fines while no action is taken by The City against those who park all day in Land Of Green Ginger and Silver Street. Traders who are permitted to access</p>	Comment noted.

<p>George Brentnall - Access Officer</p>	<p>Whitefriargate from 4pm (for deliveries and to securely collect their takings, for example) can only do so by breaking the law by travelling in the wrong direction along Trinity House Lane, Princes Street and Princes Dockside. Meanwhile, others; including pub-owners/users, council workers and police vehicles; drive up and down all of these streets to gain access to sandwich shops and alcohol – at all times of the day! Traffic wardens have been directly instructed NOT to take action against trade vehicles obstruction the disabled parking bays in direct contradiction of the Road Traffic Act.</p> <p>Before any further mistakes and discrimination occur the current situation should be investigated in full, resolved and only then should these plans be allowed to move forward.</p> <p>Public Sector Equality Duties – Suggests a link made between design and place making, public health and the Equality Act 2010 in this document. This could include our public sector equality duties. These duties do have particular links to health, particularly the ability to participate, well for mental health, take exercise, inclusion of all, including by age and disability, etc.</p> <p>Vulnerable - Suggests not using 'other vulnerable people', instead suggests using 'works well for all current and future residents including toddlers, children, older people, and those with cognitive, physical and mobility impairments, and refugees.</p> <p>Housing and Homelessness – A link should be made between health and wellbeing issues and homelessness and rough sleeping.</p>	<p>Agreed.</p> <p>Add the following text as a new paragraph 1.3 'Drawing out the relationship between planning and health is also of benefit in relation to ensuring that the Council discharges it's duties through the Equalities Act 2010, focusing in particular on more vulnerable members of the community.'</p> <p>Use of the term 'vulnerable' is considered to be useful but agree to amend the text to clarify the term accordingly as follows, amend paragraph 4.9, last bullet point to read '• creates physical environments that work well for all current and future residents including more vulnerable members of the community such as toddlers, children, older people, those with cognitive, physical and mobility impairments, and refugees.'</p> <p>Agreed.</p> <p>Amend the introduction to the Housing and homelessness section to include the following text 'Likewise, the JSNA highlights that physical health problems</p>
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	<p>developments, such as quality affordable housing, a diverse range of housing types and sizes and adaptability. Many of these requirements are set out in Local Plan Policy 21.</p> <p>Food and healthy choices - Supports improving the opportunities for people to grow their own food, providing more allotment spaces and encouraging the development of local food outlets that sell fruit and vegetables.</p> <p>Active lifestyles – Supports the principle of active people/active travel/active design etc. although the needs of older/disabled people should not be overlooked and active design must recognise that travel by car is essential for many people.</p> <p>Community spaces – Suggests that paragraph 4.43 needs amending not to include the sentence ‘Such facilities and the services they host should be open to all’, as it would be illegal not to have the services open to all and therefore there is no reason to give examples of people who should be able to use community facilities.</p> <p>Health impact assessments – welcomes the use of health impact assessments.</p>	<p>Support welcomed.</p> <p>Support welcomed and comment noted.</p> <p>Amend paragraph 4.43 and delete the text ‘Such facilities and the services they host should be open to all, including people living with dementia and people with disabilities including sensory impairments’ at the end of the paragraph.</p> <p>Support welcomed.</p>
Highways England	<p>Many thanks for the opportunity to comment on the SPD. However as the content does not link directly to the remit of Highways England we have no particular comments to make in this instance.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p>
Sport England	<p>Thank you for seeking our views on this matter. In terms of the SPD’s scope and detail Sport England wishes to offer its whole-hearted support.</p> <p>Given its overarching nature, its relationship with SPD7 Residential Design, SPD13 City Centre Design Guide, and SPD11 Protecting existing and providing new open space could usefully be clarified.</p>	<p>Support welcomed.</p> <p>Agreed. SPD 7 - Residential Design Guide and SPD 11 - Protecting existing and new open space are already referenced in paragraph 4.7 and paragraph 4.40 respectively. Add a reference to SPD 13 - City Centre Design Guide to the Sustainable neighbourhood design</p>

		<p>chapter. Amend paragraph 4.7 to include the text 'and SPD 13 - City Centre Design Guide' after 'see SPD 7 - Residential Design Guide'.</p>
<p>Historic England</p>	<p>Our only concern would be that the SPD achieves the traction that its importance merits. In this respect it is imperative that there is a golden thread through the planning process. We are happy to see the appropriate policy hooks in the Local Plan, however it may be worth considering whether planning applications would not be registered (as complete) without their attendant Design and Access Statements showing how the application had met the SPD's requirements.</p> <p>Thank you for consulting Historic England on the above. Historic England welcome the reference in the draft SPD to the role of good design in Improving people's health and wellbeing. The historic environment, in contributing to local character and distinctiveness and thereby a sense of place and identity, can also have a positive influence on people's wellbeing.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p>Support welcomed. Consider further through the review of the Local Plan and in relation to the potential inclusion of a new health policy.</p>
<p>The British Horse Society</p>	<p>Identifies that the SPD does not specifically mention equestrians or horse riding in the document, and notes that the NPPF states that planning policies should support local strategies to improve health, social and cultural well-being for all sections of the community, and that equestrians are part of communities. Give various examples of evidence which shows that horse riding and associated activities can be classed as good, moderate intensity physical activity, increases physical activity in all groups of people, including older women, people with long-standing illnesses and disability, and has positive effects on horse rider's overall health, psychological feelings and social wellbeing.</p>	<p>Comment noted. This reflects that while we would acknowledge that horse riding is beneficial in terms of good health and wellbeing, the highly urban nature of Hull, means that areas suitable for equestrian activities are very limited and participants will probably use the neighbouring rural countryside of East Yorkshire (East Riding of Yorkshire Council). No changes required, although consider further through the review of the Local Plan and in relation to the potential inclusion of a new health policy.</p>

	<p>Sustainable neighbourhood design - Suggests adding horse riding to the introduction paragraph of this section as horse riding encourages social interaction and contributes financially to local communities, and also to add horse riding to paragraph 4.9 in the bullet point 'Improves infrastructure to support walking and cycling'. They give example where other authorities/Highways England have mentioned horse riding as an active travel mode.</p>	
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