

Adur District Council

Adoption Statement (August 2024)

Supplementary Planning Document:

Sustainable Energy

A key aim of the adopted Adur Local Plan (2017) is to make progress towards a low carbon, sustainable community through sustainable construction, energy efficiency, the use of renewable energy, and to make a significant contribution to low and zero carbon energy production.

The Council adopted a Sustainable Energy Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) in 2019 that was designed to provide guidance to developers on meeting the energy policies in the local plans and reducing energy demand for future planning applications.

Due to changes in national Building Regulations and Shoreham Heat Network no longer being progressed by the Council, parts of this SPD needed to be updated. The Council has produced a revised SPD that will provide guidance to developers on how to reduce energy demand, increase energy efficiency, and deliver onsite renewable energy generation, such as solar power, air or ground source heat pumps.

This SPD aims to clarify existing energy policies in the Adur Local Plan and the Shoreham Harbour Joint Area Action Plan (JAAP). It presents clear guidance on how applicants can comply with policy and submit information to Adur District Council in a way which can easily be assessed by planning officers.

The SPD describes the various different renewable energy technologies and how they can be applied to developments. It clarifies the different energy requirements for the different plan areas in Adur (the Shoreham Harbour JAAP area and the remaining area in Adur). It also describes how an energy statement can be developed and what this should cover.

Any person aggrieved by the SPD may apply to the High Court for permission to apply for judicial review of the decision to adopt the SPD. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than 3 months after the date on which the SPD was adopted (14th August 2024).

The Sustainable Energy SPD and a Statement of Consultation can be viewed on the Council's website:

https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/adur-ldf/spd-and-guidance/

Hard copies of the adopted Sustainable Energy SPD will available for inspection (during office opening hours) free of charge at the Council offices as soon as feasible:

- Adur and Worthing Council Offices, Worthing Town Hall, Chapel Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1HA (09:00 am 17:00 pm)
- The Shoreham Centre, Pond Road, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5WU (Mon Wed & Fri 09:00 am 16:00 pm) (Thursday 09:30 am 16:00 pm closed from 1pm on the last Thursday of each month)

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