

Worthing Borough Council Local Development Framework

**Space Standards Supplementary Plan Document (SPD)
and
Sustainable Economy Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**

Adoption Statement: February 2012

On 21st February 2012 Worthing Borough Council adopted the following two Supplementary Planning Documents:

Space Standards SPD – The purpose of the Space Standards SPD is to ensure that the floor and storage area space in new residential developments and conversions in Worthing is sufficient to secure a satisfactory standard of accommodation for their residents. The need for this document is reflected by concerns that have been raised about some of the room sizes that have been getting approved locally in the absence of any local standards.

Sustainable Economy SPD - The purpose of this document is to provide more detailed guidance on how Core Strategy Policy 4 (Protecting Employment Opportunities) and Policy 5 (Visitor Economy) will be applied to relevant development. Informed by comprehensive evidence the starting principle set out in the document is that suitable and viable sites in employment use or in use as visitor accommodation should be retained.

These documents were published for consultation in August – September 2011 (see separate Statement of Consultation for details) and were considered by elected Members at the following groups and committees:

- Local Development Framework Members Working Group – 19/07/11, 11/10/11 and 24/11/12
- Joint Planning Committee – 13/09/11 and 17/01/12
- Worthing Planning Committee – 23/11/11

These documents now form part of the Local Development Framework for the area and will be a material consideration when any relevant application for planning permission is submitted.

The adopted Supplementary Planning Documents and a statement which summarises the main issues raised in the representations to the draft document and how these issues have been addressed in the adopted SPDs, can be viewed on the Council's website at: www.worthing.gov.uk/goto/spd . Documents are also available for inspection during normal opening hours at:

- Town Hall and Portland House (9am-5pm Mon-Thurs / 9am-4pm Fri)
- Libraries in the Borough

Any person aggrieved by the decision of the council to adopt the Supplementary Planning Document may apply to the High Court for permission to apply for judicial review of the decision. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than 3 months of the date of adoption specified above.

If you require any further information on the Core Strategy or any other aspect of the Worthing Local Development Framework please contact the Planning Policy Team on 01273 263009 or via email at:
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