

## Local Information Requirements for Havant Borough Council – Draft Jan 2019

### **Submitting a Planning Application**

Electronic submission through Planning Portal (or similar online provider) is recommended.

#### Requirement for MAJOR APPLICATIONS only

Where a MAJOR application is submitted electronically, **ONE** hard copy of each plan is required to be provided to Havant Borough Council Planning Services team. (Definition: 10 or more dwellings; residential sites of 0.5ha or more; and other buildings with a floor space of 1000 sqm or on sites of 1ha or more)

#### Paper submission

All applications submitted in paper format should provide ONE hard copy of each document or plan. We do not require multiple hard copies.

Supporting documents may be submitted by email to [planning.development@havant.gov.uk](mailto:planning.development@havant.gov.uk), through electronic transfer (ie Dropbox or WeTransfer) or on a USB stick. We are unable to process documents submitted by CD

#### Methods of Payment

- By Planning Portal electronic payment at time of submission
- By telephone call to Customer Services on 02392 446015
- By cheque to Havant Borough Council

If you need to make an online payment, please contact us directly on 02392 446530.

If you require an invoice for payment, please contact us directly on 02392 446530

## **Part One - National Requirements** *as specified by the Development Management Procedure Order 2015*

### **A completed application form**

The application form must include the following:

- **Ownership Certificate** (A, B, C or D as applicable – only **ONE** can be completed)

All applications for planning permission must include the appropriate certificate (A, B, C, or D) of ownership stating the ownership of the property (for this purpose an 'owner' is anyone with a freehold interest, or leasehold interest the un-expired term of which is not less than 7 years).

A = If you are the sole owner

B = If any part of the application goes outside land in your sole ownership

C = If you do not know the names of all of the owners

D = If you do not know the names of any of the owners

In the event that you need to serve notice on an 'owner' of the site:

- Non-Householder applications - please use Notice under Article 13 of Application for Planning Permission
- Householder applications - please use the Notice under Article 13 for Planning Permission for Householder Development

Copies of the Notices can be found under Schedule 2 of the [Development Management Procedure Order 2015](#)

**A plan which identifies the land**, to an identified scale (1:1250 or 1:2500) and showing a north point.

- Plans should, wherever possible, show at least two named roads and the surrounding buildings
- The application site should be edged clearly with a red line. It should include all land necessary to carry out the proposed development – for example, land required for access to the site from a public highway, landscaping, car parking and open areas around buildings. A blue line should be drawn around any other land owned by the applicant, close to or adjoining the application site
- if the plan is based on or appears to be based on Ordnance Survey data, the relevant licence number or download details must be clearly shown.

**Other plans or drawings** necessary to describe the subject of the application including:

- **Block plan** (scale 1:500 or 1:200) – to show the footprint of the proposal and detailing any changes to the existing boundary treatment. A block plan need not be provided where the information is only a duplication of that clearly visible and identifiable on the location plan. Written dimensions to boundaries may be included to assist with the understanding of the development and its relationship to neighbouring properties.

- **Existing and proposed elevations** (scale 1:100 or 1:50) – as necessary to clearly show the proposed works in relation to what is already there. Where a proposed elevation adjoins another building, or is in close proximity to it, the drawings should show the relationship between the two buildings
- **Existing and proposed floor plans** (scale 1:100 or 1:50) – as necessary to clearly show the proposed works in relation to what is already there. Where applicable, these should highlight any existing walls or buildings that are to be demolished
- **Existing and proposed site sections, finished floor and site levels** (scale 1:100 – 1:50) – where the proposal involves a change in ground level or sloping sites. Section drawings may also be requested in other cases. The drawings may take the form of contours, spot levels, or cross/long sections.
- **Roof plans** (drawn to an identifiable scale – can be shown on block plan) – where the roof design is not simple single dual or mono pitches, to clearly show the proposed works in relation to what is already there.

### **Design and Access Statement** (where necessary)

A Design and Access Statement must accompany applications for both outline and full planning permission for

- Major development: 10 or more dwellings or creation in excess of 1000 sqm of non-residential floor space **[see also NB below]**
- The provision of one or more dwellings or creation in excess of 100 sqm of non-residential floor space in a Conservation Area.

A Design and Access Statement shall include

- a) The design principles and concepts that have been applied to the development
- b) How issues relating to access have been dealt with.

And shall

- a) Explain the design principles and concepts that have been applied to the development
- b) Demonstrate the steps taken to appraise the context of the development and how the design of the development takes that context into account
- c) Explain the policy adopted as to access, and how policies relating to access in relevant
- d) State what, if any, consultation has been undertaken on issues relating to access to the development and what account has been taken of the outcome of any such consultation; and
- e) Explain how any specific issues what might affect access to the development have been addressed.

**NB: Policy H3 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 sets density standards for residential development across the borough where it results in a net gain of 5 or more dwellings.**

**Where there is a robust design justification which warrants a deviation from the density standard, the Design and Access Statement should explain the rationale to the approach.**

## **Fee**

See [fee schedule](#) - last revised 17 January 2018

## **Environment Impact Assessment** (where necessary)

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is needed for certain types of development; these are usually but not always major developments. Information can be found in [The Town and Country Planning \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) Regulations 2011](#) (as amended).

You can seek a formal opinion (*a screening opinion*) from the Local Planning Authority as to whether an EIA is needed before you submit your planning application. If EIA is needed you can also ask the Authority to advise upon what the EIA should contain (*a scoping opinion*). If you decide not to ask for either a screening or scoping opinion before you submit your planning application, the Authority will carry out screening and scoping when we receive your application but please be aware that this may lead to delays if an EIA is found to be needed.

If you have any questions about EIA, please contact us.

## **Part Two - Local Requirements** *as identified by Havant Borough Council*

The NPPF requires that local planning authorities should only request information that is relevant, necessary and material to the application. If you have good reason to believe that you do not need to provide a particular requirement, you may request that the need for the requirement is waived.

Primary sources of information:

- [National Planning Policy Framework March 2012](#)
- [Havant Borough Local Plan \(Core Strategy\) March 2011](#)
- [Havant Borough Local Plan \(Allocations\) July 2014](#)
- [Havant Borough Council Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036](#)  
(See Appendix 1 for further links)

### **Affordable Housing Statement** (See also **Viability**)

Policy CS9 of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) advises that:

- i. Developments of 15 dwellings or more need to provide 30-40% affordable housing on site
- ii. Developments between 5 and 14 dwellings need to provide 30-40% affordable housing on site or a suitable contribution in lieu of this.

Policy H2 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 advises that for residential development resulting in a net gain of 10 or more dwellings;

- 30% affordable housing is provided on sites outside of Havant, Waterlooville and Leigh Park town centres; and 20% affordable housing is provided on sites within Havant, Waterlooville and Leigh Park town centres (as defined through Policies KP1, KP2 and KP4);
- 10% of the total number of new homes (gross) are for shared ownership (as part of the affordable housing). The balance of the affordable requirement should be rented;
- Affordable housing is provided onsite unless in exceptional circumstances.

Unless in either case, a lesser requirement has been transparently justified on viability grounds.

In the case that affordable housing is provided on site, please provide a statement which contains the following information:

- the numbers of residential units
- plans showing the location and mix of units with numbers of habitable rooms and/or bedrooms, or the floor space of habitable areas of residential units
- If different levels or types of affordability or tenure are proposed for different units, this should be clearly and fully explained
- The affordable housing statement should also include details of any Registered Social Landlords acting as partners in the development.

Please note that an Affordable Housing Statement does not represent a claim for Social Housing Relief in respect of CIL. A separate relief form must be submitted in accordance with Regulation 51 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended).

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS9*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: H2*
- *NPPF*
- *Housing SPD July 2011*
- *CIL Regulations 2010*

**Air Quality Assessment**

The NPPF states that planning policies should mitigate impacts upon, and where possible take opportunities to improve, air quality.

Any new development can have an impact on air quality. Without intervention, emissions associated with new development would continue to apply upward pressure on background levels of pollutants and contribute to a cumulative deterioration in air quality. It is therefore important that emissions associated with development are mitigated to ensure that compliance with air quality standards can be sustained.

The majority of local sources of pollution are from motor vehicles.

An Air Quality Assessment will be required for:

- Residential development of dwellings or more
- Commercial development with floor space of 1000m<sup>2</sup> or more
- Development which is likely to materially alter the traffic flow on the local highway network

**Further information**

Air quality assessments should be proportionate to the risk posed by the development. They should assess the predicted concentration of pollutants of concern at appropriate dates & sensitive locations, the predicted change in air quality, and the spatial impact of the change. Sensitive locations may include elements of the proposed development, existing buildings & land uses within the vicinity of the proposed development, or within the wider area.

If significant impacts or significantly increased exposures are shown to be likely, measures to prevent or minimise impact should be proposed, and may be required as a condition of any consent granted.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations)DM10*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: E23*
- *NPPF*

- [The Air Quality Standards Regulations 2010](#)

### **Aquifer Source Protection Zones**

Areas of aquifer vulnerability are defined by the Environment Agency Source Protection Zones (SPZs). These zones show the risk of contamination from any activities that might cause pollution in the area. A large area of the Borough is within SPZs 1 and 1C: defined as the 'inner zones' these are the areas of highest risk.

Any proposals for non-householder development within SPZ 1 and 1C will be required to be accompanied by an appropriate Conceptual Site Model and Risk Assessment.

A Conceptual Site Model (CSM) should identify risks and provide a representation of the anticipated site conditions and interactions between different processes. A phased approach to the CSM is considered appropriate. This should start with a desk study and literature review identifying all potential source, pathway and receptor linkages. Depending on the findings of the desk study, an intrusive investigation may be required to further establish the risk of contamination in the hydrological setting. Once risk has been established, options can be assessed to ensure that development removes or adequately minimises the risk to groundwater. Portsmouth Water Groundwater Protection Guidance Notes provide appropriate guidance for applicants when considering development on the Principal Chalk Aquifer and in Aquifer Source Protection Zones.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Pre-submission Local Plan 2036; E21*

### **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)** (see also Planning Obligations)

Completion of BOTH the [Additional Information Form](#) and [Assumption of Liability Form](#) is required for

- New residential development (extensions) over 100 sqm
- The creation of 1 or more dwellings (even if it is less than 100 sqm)
- Development in excess of 100 sqm of new/additional out of town retail floor space

[Assumption of Liability can be [withdrawn](#) using the relevant form at any stage up to commencement of the development (should it be approved) or [transferred](#) using the relevant form up to the day before date when final payment is due]

If you intend to apply for Self Build Exemption (new dwelling and extensions over 100 sqm), it is recommended that you submit the relevant Self Build Exemption Claim Form Part 1 (available from the [Planning Portal](#)) at an early stage in the determination process - it is not a validation requirement.

If you intend to apply for Charitable Relief or Social Housing Relief for larger developments, you will need to complete the relevant form from the [Planning Portal](#). Please be aware that you will need to submit supporting documents for this relief. These forms must be submitted before any approved CIL liable development commences.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- [NPPF](#)
- [HBC CIL information](#)
- [HBC Developer Contributions Guide](#)
- [CIL Regulations 2010](#)

### **Contaminated Land Investigation Report**

Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, provides a risk-based approach to the identification and remediation of land where contamination poses an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment.

A Land Contamination Assessment will be required for any development comprising:

- 10 or more dwellings
- 500 sqm of non-residential floor space or more
- Any site where contamination is known to exist
- Excluding householder application, any site situated within 250 metres of existing or former landfill site listed by the Environment Agency (see 'Further Guidance').

### **Further information**

In order to demonstrate that identified risks are mitigated to an acceptable level, it should be established that no 'significant possibility of significant harm' exists, as defined by, and in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act 1990: Part 2A Contaminated Land Statutory Guidance. The risk assessment should consider the concentration and distribution of contaminants, their environmental fate and transport, and the associated potential harm to receptors. It is recommended that developers follow the procedures set out in the Environment Agency publication Model Procedures for the Management of Land Contamination (CLR11) accordingly.

**Please note:** Submission of environmental searches does not constitute a desktop study. Such reports provide insufficient information to be able to ascertain the presence or absence of contamination.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- [Local Plan \(Core Strategy/Allocations\) DM10](#)
- [Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; E24](#)
- [NPPF](#)
- [Environmental Protection Act 1990: Part 2A Contaminated Land Statutory Guidance](#)
- [Model Procedures for the Management of Land Contamination \(CLR11\)](#)
- [Environment agency search for current landfill sites](#)
- [Environment agency search for historical landfill sites](#)
- [BS10175 \[2011\] Code of Practice for the Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites](#)

*[Please note: the link provided will not take you directly to the document but to the British Standards website where the document can be purchased]*

## **Drainage Strategy (Surface Water and SuDS) and Foul Sewage Assessment**

This requirement applies to all applications which are providing new dwellings or new non-residential floorspace.

### **Surface Water and SuDS**

Please provide information which covers:

- Existing flood risk
- SuDS design – information on potential discharge points and locations including the sensitivity of those location
- Existing drainage
- Ground conditions and infiltration (detail may not be required for Outline Applications)
  - Contamination that may affect the use of infiltration devices
  - Ground investigation
  - Groundwater levels
  - Infiltration tests
- Runoff calculations
- Attenuation – information on how surface water flows and volumes will be contained on site
- Exceedance flows and runoff in excess of design criteria – information on what happens if the proposals exceed the design event, including flow routes, depths and velocities.
- General maintenance regimes – information on surface water management and who is going to be undertaking it including evidence that those maintaining the drainage system are in discussion with the developer, this requirement to include agreed management of any off-site drainage system receiving flows from the development, where this maintenance is a critical element of the operation of the on-site SuDS.

### **Foul Sewage**

A Foul Sewage Assessment will be required if the proposed development results in any changes or replacement to an existing system, or the creation of a new system. All new buildings need separate connections to foul and storm water sewers. A capacity assessment may be required which can be ordered from the Sewerage Undertaker (Southern Water).

If an application proposes to connect a development to the existing drainage system, then details of the existing system should be shown on the application drawing(s). It should be noted that surface water is not permitted to be connected to the public foul sewers. Where the development involves the disposal of trade waste or the disposal of foul sewage effluent other than to the public sewer, then a more detailed foul drainage assessment will be required including details of the method of storage, treatment and disposal. A foul drainage assessment should include a full assessment of the site, its location and suitability for storing, transporting and treating sewage. Where connection to the mains sewer is not practical, then the foul/non-mains drainage assessment will be required to demonstrate why the development cannot connect to the public mains sewer system and show that the alternative means of disposal are satisfactory.

Guidance on what should be included in a non-mains drainage assessment is given in [Circular 03/99](#) and [Building Regulations Approved Document Part H](#) and in BS6297. If the proposed development results in any changes/replacement to the existing system or the creation of a new system, scale plans of the new foul drainage arrangements will also need to be provided. This will include a location plan, cross sections/elevations and specification. Drainage details that will achieve Building Regulations Approval will be required. If connection to any of the above requires crossing land that is not in the applicant's ownership, other than on a public highway, then notice may need to be served on the owners of that land.

All sewerage systems should be designed to a standard that would allow for future adoption by the Water and Sewerage Undertaker even if such adoption is not proposed at the time of planning permission being sought.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS15*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: E20*
- *NPPF*
- [LLFA Guidance](#)
- [Surface Water and Sustainable Drainage – Guidance document](#)
- [DETR Circular 03-99](#)
- [Building Regulations Document H – Drainage and Waste Disposal](#)
- [C753 – The SuDS Manual, CIRIA, 2015](#)
- [Sewers for Adoption 6 or Sewers for Adoption 7 – WRc](#)

## **Ecological Assessment**

### **Assessing the Ecological Value of the Site**

Where a proposed development has the potential to affect biodiversity and wildlife interests, information should be provided on existing biodiversity features, including possible impacts on them. Information should be presented on how the application addresses any identified impacts in line with the 'avoid, mitigate, compensate' approach (see British Standard 42020 - Biodiversity: Code of practice for planning and developmentBS).

Information should be based on a data search from the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre (Hampshire's ecological local records centre), supplemented as appropriate, rather than just the NBN Atlas. The Biodiversity Checklist should be completed to help you work out if your proposal is likely to affect biodiversity and provide further guidance.

Applications should thoroughly assess the impact of proposals on habitats and/or species listed as 'Habitats and Species of Principal Importance' within the England Biodiversity List and, where applicable, applications should assess the impact on statutory designated wildlife sites (Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs), Special Protection Areas (SPAs), Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Ramsar Sites). Development proposals on, or adjacent to, Solent Wader and Brent Goose sites will require a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) to determine the level of impact alone and in combination with other

plans and projects. Information to enable the Council to undertake the HRA will need to be provided as part of a planning application and include suitable avoidance and mitigation measures.

It is also important to note that the identification of such features is often seasonal in nature, with many species hibernating in winter and many habitats being harder to survey. Applicants are therefore strongly advised to consider biodiversity as early as possible in their project to ensure that they give adequate time to properly engage with this issue, given the seasonal constraints.

Applicants should note that there is no provision (except in exceptional circumstances) for conditioning ecological survey works: all ecological information must be submitted with the application.

### Achieving Biodiversity Net Gain

Almost any development can achieve biodiversity net gain. Even smaller developments can include the use of design features to integrate biodiversity attributes into the building itself. At least every new dwelling, or commercial developments that involve the construction of a new building can include boxes or bricks for bats and birds, and other features can additionally be incorporated within larger developments. Further guidance on how to do this and the kinds of products that are available is in the Biodiversity Strategy.

For any application proposing the development of one or more residential units (apart from conversions), it is expected that a site-specific ecological assessment will be needed. The need for the assessment and its scope would be discussed at the pre-application stage.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS9*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: E14; E15; E16; E17*
- *NPPF*
- *[Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre](#)*
- *[Biodiversity Checklist – Householder and Full applications](#)*
- *[Natural England – Services and information](#)*
- *[Natural England – Get environmental advice on your planning proposals](#)*
- *[Natural England – SSSI information \(map\)](#)*
- *[Natural England – Special Protection Areas](#)*
- *[BS 42020 - Biodiversity: Code of practice for planning and development](#)*

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## **Flood Risk Assessment**

In accordance with Local Plan (Core Strategy) policy CS15, a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) will be required for

- development proposals of 1 hectare or greater in Flood Zone 1
- all proposals for new development located in Flood Zones 2 and 3 as designated by the Environment Agency
- any development other than minor development in a designated critical drainage area which has been notified to HBC by the Environment Agency.

The FRA should

- identify and assess the risks of all forms of flooding to and from the development and demonstrate how these flood risks will be managed, taking climate change into account
- identify opportunities to reduce the probability and consequences of flooding
- include the design of surface water management systems including Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)
- address the requirement for safe access to and from the development in areas at risk of flooding by means of a Flood Warning and Evacuation Plan
- be prepared by an applicant in consultation with reference to HBC's published local development documents and Strategic Flood Risk Assessment
- form part of an Environmental Statement when one is required by the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999 as amended.
- identify future management of both the on-site features and of any off-site drainage system receiving flows from the development, where this maintenance is a critical element of the operation of the on-site SuDS.

The National Planning Policy Framework (2018) provides guidance for both local planning authorities and applicants in relation to the undertaking of FRAs and the responsibilities for controlling development where it may be directly affected by flooding or affect flooding elsewhere.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS15; DM25*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: Key Project and Development Allocation Policies: E19*
- *NPPF*
- *Flood risk assessment for planning applications*
- *C753 - The SuDS Manual, CIRIA, 2015*

## **Heritage Statement**

A Heritage Statement is required for all applications affecting heritage assets: ie listed buildings; unlisted buildings in Conservation Areas or locally listed buildings, including applications affecting the setting for any of the above. The impact and implications of development on heritage assets, such as historic buildings, archaeology, Scheduled Monuments, designed and historic landscapes, should all be set out and discussed in the Heritage Statement, in so far as they affect the planning application.

The scope and degree of detail necessary in a Heritage Statement will vary according to the particular circumstances of each application.

Further details of when a Heritage Statement is required and what it should contain can be found using [Havant Borough Council's Heritage Guidance Notes](#).

If applicants still require further information, they are advised to discuss proposals with either a planning officer or a conservation officer before any application is made.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS11*
- *Pre-submission Local Plan 2036: E13*
- *NPPF*
- [HBC Heritage Guidance](#)
- [Hampshire County Council Archaeological Advice](#)

**Housing Quality Statement**

The NPPF highlights that high quality design and a good standard of amenity should be sought in new development. Building to appropriate space standards will ensure new homes provide sufficient space for basic daily activities and needs.

A Housing Quality Statement will be required for all applications for new homes which demonstrate how the following criteria are met (as set out in Policy H1):

- New homes are designed to meet appropriate internal space standards to provide sufficient private and/or communal space for basic daily activities and needs; and
- Developments of 10 houses or more (gross) meet enhanced accessibility and adaptability standards on 30% of the proposed dwellings across all tenures to ensure that new homes are suitable for a wide range of occupants; and
- Developments of 50 homes or more (gross) meet wheelchair accessibility standards on 2% of the total proposed dwellings as part of the affordable housing provision; and
- Sufficient private and/or communal outdoor amenity space is provided.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *NPPF*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: H1*
- [Nationally described space standard](#)
- [Part M Building Regulations](#)

**Landscaping** (see also Tree Survey/Arboricultural Impact Assessment)

Applications should be accompanied by both hard and soft landscaping details and include proposals for long term maintenance and landscape management. There should be reference to landscaping and detailed landscaping proposals which follow on from the design concept in the Design and Access Statement (if required). Existing trees, hedges and other vegetation should, where practicable, be retained in new developments and

sympathetically incorporated into any landscape design submitted. Retained trees, hedges and vegetation should be protected during the construction of the development.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS11; CS13; CS16; DM8*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; E3*
- *NPPF*
- *Havant Borough Townscape, Landscape and Seascape Character Assessment*

**Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment**

Where a scheme is likely to have a significant impact on the landscape, townscape or seascape, a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment may be required. This should be based on an appreciation of the existing landscape and a thorough understanding of the development proposal, the magnitude of change, the sensitivity to change and the potential to mitigate impacts. The cumulative impacts on character should also be considered in the context of the receiving landscape. Guidance on the methodology for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessments recommends the following methodology:

- Recording and analysing existing landscape features and characteristics and the way the landscape is experienced;
- Assessment of the nature and magnitude of change likely to result from the development and the sensitivity of the existing landscape to the change;
- Identifying the effects of the proposed change on views and visual amenity and assessing their significance, taking account of the nature of the visual receptors (people viewing the landscape) and the nature of the change on visual amenity;
- Evaluation of the significance of the changes identified (both landscape and visual effects) taking account of any mitigation strategies.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS11; CS13; CS16; DM8*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; E3*
- *NPPF*
- *Havant Borough Townscape, Landscape and Seascape Character Assessment*

**Lighting Assessment**

Light nuisance can have a detrimental impact on the quality of the local environment. Under section 79 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, local authorities have a duty to take reasonably practicable steps to investigate complaints of statutory nuisance, being prejudicial to health or a nuisance.

A Lighting Assessment will be required to accompany all applications for

- Street lighting on housing developments

- Developments which include external lighting for business parks and commercial premises including nursing homes, sports pitches, car parks, garage forecourts.
- Advertisements with fixed illuminated noticeboards or neon lighting to be displayed through the night (24 hours) within a residential area

### **Further information**

Schemes should be prepared by a recognised independent consultant and submitted alongside applications to enable the effects of such lighting to be fully considered. The reports need to provide the information in relation to sky glow (%) and Source Intensity, measurements in Lux.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS16; DM10*
- *The Institution of Lighting Engineers, Guidance for the reduction of light pollution*

### **Marketing Statement**

A marketing statement is normally required for the following developments:

- Loss or change of use of a community facility to a non-community use
- Loss or change of use of a class A1 retail unit (and where appropriate A2 and D1 units) within a town, district or local centre
- Loss or change of use of a convenience shop outside a town, district or local centre
- Change of use or redevelopment of an employment site, or premises currently or last in use for employment
- Loss or change of use of land or premises currently used for tourism purposes to non-tourism

The marketing statement should reflect the requirements of:

- Policy C1 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 where an employment site is affected
- Policy C2 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 where a tourism site is affected
- Policy C7 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 where existing community facilities and convenience shops are affected
- Policies KP1, KP2, C3, C4 and C5 of the Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 where class A1 retails (and where appropriate A2 and D1 units) are affected

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS2; CS5; DM2; DM3*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C7*

### **Noise Impact Assessment**

Noise nuisance can have a detrimental impact on the quality of the local environment. Under section 79 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, local authorities have a duty to take reasonably practicable steps to investigate complaints of statutory nuisance, and being prejudicial to health or a nuisance.

A Noise Impact Assessment will be required for developments that are considered to be noise sensitive and/or are close to existing sources of noise or vibration, e.g. major roads, national railway lines and industrial developments, wind turbines.

Proposals that raise issues of disturbance or are considered a noise sensitive development should be supported by a Noise Impact Assessment prepared by a suitably qualified acoustician. Further guidance is provided in the NPPF and Noise Policy Statement for England (March 2010) and by British Standard 4142:2014 'Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound'.

The Havant Borough Council Environmental Health team can advise you prior to your application if you are unsure whether your application requires a noise assessment.

#### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS16; DM10*
- *NPPF*
- *Noise Policy Statement for England*
- *BS4142:2014 Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound*  
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#### **Parking Provision and Access Provision**

Where development requires an increase in car parking provision when assessed against the provisions of the Council's Parking SPD and/or includes proposals for additional accesses, applications are required to provide a parking and access plan showing details of existing and proposed parking provision, to include electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and the arrangements onsite that will allow vehicles to turn so they can enter and leave the site in forward gear. Standards apply to:

- One or more new residential units
- Creation of non-residential floorspace
- Significant increase in area for residential extensions

Should a developer/applicant be seeking to use on-street capacity then they should firstly be aware of potential concerns relating to the character and amenity of the road. If on-street parking is already an established part of the character, surveys should be undertaken and submitted with the planning application to identify the current level and capacity of on-street parking in the vicinity of the site.

Further details in relation to the requirements of parking surveys can be viewed in the Council's Parking SPD.

Where proposed car parking is significant (for example; major proposals or proposals providing staff or customer parking), a parking strategy statement should be provided.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) DM13; DM14*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; IN3; IN4*
- *HBC Residential Parking and Cycle Provision SPD – July 2016*

### **Planning Obligations** (see also **Community Infrastructure Levy** and **Viability**)

All major residential planning applications (10 or more dwellings) must be accompanied by an Obligations Statement setting out the appropriate Heads of Terms for the required S106 Agreement.

All applications that are likely to require site specific contributions or the provision of affordable housing should be accompanied by an Obligations Statement.

### **Further Information**

In addition to CIL, it may be appropriate for the Council to seek on site provision and/or financial contributions to ensure the delivery of site specific infrastructure, required to make a development acceptable. This could include highway works directly linked to the development or affordable housing provision (CIL contributions are not taken towards the provision of affordable housing) and recreational disturbance to Special Protection Areas (SPAs) contributions for residential development. This will be in the form of a Section 106 Agreement (S106).

Alternatively, the applicant can submit a S106 unilateral undertaking with the application.

Planning obligations (or “Section 106 Agreements”) are private agreements negotiated between local planning authorities and persons with an interest in a piece of land (or “developers”), and are intended to make acceptable development which would otherwise be unacceptable in planning terms. Where Development Plan Documents contain policies that give details of likely planning obligation requirements, a local planning authority may require a statement of the proposed Heads of Terms to be submitted with the application. Further advice on planning obligations is available in Part 11 of the [CIL Regulations 2010](#) (as amended).

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS19; CS21; DM11; DM24*
- *NPPF*
- *CIL Regulations 2010*
- *Planning Practice Guidance CIL*
- *Havant Borough Council Developer Contributions Guide*

### **Playing Fields, Sporting Facilities and Open Space Assessments**

Justification will be required for any development that involves the loss of playing fields and sporting facilities. It must be demonstrated that there is a surplus of provision according to the local standards set out in the Councils Open Spaces and Play Pitch documents or any subsequent review of these documents. Where there is no surplus of provision, details must be provided of replacement facilities proposed. It should include

details of what facilities exist/or last existed and when any facilities were last used; by whom they were used; and what formal sports provision is proposed, including any replacement facilities that may be required.

For applications specifically involving playing fields, the following information is also required:

- The size of the playing field and how much of the playing field is affected by the proposal (in hectares or square metres).
- An existing site plan clearly showing the layout of any pitches including safety margins at a minimum 1:1250 scale.
- A proposed site plan showing how any proposed new buildings and other works are likely to impact on the existing pitch layout. Any realignment of pitches should also be shown.
- Any information of alternative sport and recreational provision.

For development within open spaces, application proposals should be accompanied by plans showing any areas of existing or proposed open space within or adjoining the application site. Planning consent is not normally given for development of existing open spaces which local communities need. However, in the absence of a robust and up-to-date assessment by a local authority, an applicant for planning permission may seek to demonstrate through an independent assessment that the land or buildings are surplus to local requirements. Any such evidence should accompany the planning application.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS1; DM1*
- *NPPF*
- *Havant Borough Council Open Spaces Plan*
- *Sport England – Spatial planning for Sport Development*

**Soil Survey**

The NPPF states that planning policies and decisions should contribute to, and enhance, the natural environment by recognising the economic and wider benefits of the best and most versatile (BMV) agricultural land. Further, Footnote 53 in the NPPF outlines that: “where significant development of agricultural land is demonstrated to be necessary, areas of poorer quality land should be preferred to those of a higher quality”

Any development proposals on greenfield sites outside of the settlement boundary defined in the HBC Local Plan 2036 will need to be supported by an appropriate Soil Survey to demonstrate whether the site is (in whole or in part) BMV agricultural land.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *NPPF*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036; E6*

## **Sustainability Statement**

Policy CS14 of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) - Efficient Use of Resources - advises that on completion, unless proven to be financially or technically unviable non-residential\* over 500 square metres, should meet the 'very good' standard of the Building Research Establishment's Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM).

The applicant will be required to provide a pre-assessment estimator which shows how the development will meet BREEAM Very Good together with a sustainability statement setting out the development's approach to sustainable design. To do this, it will be necessary to use a licensed BREEAM assessor (see below). This sustainability statement could be included within the Design and Access Statement.

Should the applicant be suggesting that it would be financially or technically unviable to meet the 'very good' standard, this will need to be accompanied by evidence as to why this is the case. In the case of technical feasibility, this should be an expanded pre-assessment estimator or design stage assessment showing which credits the development is able to pursue and which it is not and the justification for this. In the case of financial viability, please refer to the requirement for a viability study.

The Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 goes further, and sets out a range of criteria under policy E12 intended to improve the energy efficiency of existing and new buildings.

For any application proposing an increase in non-residential floor space or the construction of new homes, applicants will be required to submit a statement together with any necessary bespoke assessments or reports to demonstrate how the requirements of this policy have been incorporated into the proposed development.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS14, CS16*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036; E12*
- *NPPF*
- *[BREEAM New Construction 2014 Technical Manual](#)*
- *[Greenbook Live \(directory of licensed BREEAM assessors\)](#)*

*\* whether a development would be classified as residential or non-residential would generally depend on the nature of the heating system which will be used and the subsequent means of assessment under Part L of the Building Regulations. Schemes which will be assessed under the Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP) would usually be considered residential. Schemes which will be assessed under the Simplified Building Energy Model (SBEM) would generally be considered non-residential.*

## **Town Centre Uses/Sequential Assessment**

All applications for main town centre uses that are not in an existing centre as defined by Local Plan (Core Strategy) policy CS4 and Local Plan (Allocations) policy AL3 and Pre-submission Local Plan 2036 Policy C6 will require a sequential assessment in line with the NPPF. This also applies to A1 retail uses with a net sales floor area of more than 280 sqm.

All applications for retail, leisure and office development of more than 2,500 square metres that are not in an existing centre as defined by Local Plan (Core Strategy) policy CS4 and Local Plan (Allocations) policy AL3 will require an impact assessment in line with the NPPF. There is no locally set threshold in the Local Plan.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS4; AL3*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036; C6*

**Transport Assessment/Transport Statement**

Applicants are required to submit a Transport Assessment or a Transport Statement to explore the potential transport impacts of their proposal. Transport Assessments are thorough assessments of the transport implications of development. Transport Statements are a 'lighter touch' evaluation, to be used where this would be more proportionate to the potential impact of the development (i.e. in the case of developments with anticipated limited transport impacts). Applicants should agree with the Council at the pre-application stage what evaluation is needed in each instance. Advice is also available from Hampshire County Council as Highway Authority.

The NPPF advises that a Transport Statement (TS) or Assessment (TA) should be submitted as part of any planning application where the proposed development generates significant amounts of movements. The coverage and detail of the TS/TA should reflect the scale of the development and the extent of the transport implications of the proposal. For smaller schemes the TS/TA should simply outline the transport aspects of the application, while for major proposals, the TS/TA should illustrate accessibility to the site by all modes of transport, and the likely modal split of journeys to and from the site. It should also give details of proposed measures to improve access by public transport, walking and cycling, to reduce the need for parking associated with the proposal, and to mitigate transport impacts.

Where a new access is proposed, plans detailing the general arrangement should be provided to clearly identify the level of visibility provided in accordance with the relevant standards appropriate to the design/recorded speed of traffic. Where appropriate, consideration of alternative access options should be included, and an independent Road Safety Audit may be required.

Where new streets are to be provided, the internal street layout should be accompanied by a Stage 1 or Stage 2 Road Safety Audit. Wherever possible Hampshire County Council encourages new streets to be adopted by the County Council as publicly maintainable highway. The early identification of any safety concerns that can delay or prevent adoption at the planning stage can aid in overcoming such issues. (Hampshire County Council has previously experienced situations whereby developments remain unadopted as the permitted layout did not meet adoptable standard).

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS20; DM11; DM12*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036 Key Project and Development Allocation Policies; IN2; IN3*
- *Travel Plans, Transport Assessments and Statements*

- [HCC Highways Development Planning](#)
- [Transport Contributions Policy - A New Approach to Calculating Transport Contributions in Hampshire - September 2007](#)
- [Manual for Streets](#)
- [Hampshire County Council's 'Companion Document to Manual for Streets'](#)
- [Standards for Highways](#)

## **Travel Plan**

A Travel Plan is required for

- Any residential development over 100 dwellings, or where reference is made in Local Plan Policy relating to individual sites
- food and non-food retail
- cinema and conference facilities
- other leisure (D2) uses (excluding stadium) from and above 1000 sqm gross floor space
- B1 (including office, higher and further education establishments from and above 2500 sqm gross floor space
- stadia of 1500+ seats
- other service developments such as hospitals,
- smaller traffic attracting developments in rural areas

A travel plan should be submitted alongside planning applications which are likely to generate significant amounts of movement as stated in the NPPF paragraph 36.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- [Local Plan \(Core Strategy/Allocations\) DM11; DM12](#)
- [NPPF](#)
- [Travel Plans, Transport Assessments and Statements](#)
- [Hampshire County Council – Information for Developers](#)

## **Tree Survey/ Arboricultural Assessment** (see also Landscaping)

An Arboricultural Implications Appraisal (AIA) is required for any development (including construction of access drive, patios, and the laying of drains/services) where trees are located on site, or there are off site trees in close proximity to the proposed project.

An Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) must be provided (including a Tree Protection Plan) where there is potential for impact on a tree in relation to the proposed development.

Full guidance on the survey information, protection plan and method statement that should be provided with an application is set out in the current BS5837-2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations'.

The AIA should demonstrate how the identified tree constraints have informed the design of the development. It should also identify all possible conflicts between the proposed development and existing trees on site. At this stage, it is essential to consider the direct

impacts of the development proposed and any related activity, including the laying of drains and services, site construction access, contractor's vehicle parking, storage of materials, and changes in ground levels.

The method statement sets out information regarding the measures needed to protect the trees shown to be retained and schedules of any necessary tree work. It should also detail how the possible conflicts identified in the AIA are to be addressed and include a tree protection plan setting out the measures for protecting the trees during the whole development process (e.g. protective barriers/fences, ground protection measures).

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) DM8*
- *Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036: E18*
- *NPPF*
- [\*BS5837-2012 Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations\*](#)

*[Please note: this link will not take you directly to the document but to the British Standards website where the document can be purchased]*

**Utilities Assessment**

A Utilities Assessment is required for all major applications.

An application should indicate how the development connects to existing utility infrastructure systems. Most new development requires connection to existing utility services, including electricity and gas supplies, telecommunications and water supply, and also needs connection to foul and/or surface water drainage and disposal.

Two planning issues arise; firstly, whether the existing services and infrastructure have sufficient capacity to accommodate the supply/service demands which would arise from the completed development, and secondly, whether the provision of services on site would give rise to any environmental impacts, for example, excavations in the vicinity of trees or archaeological remains. The applicant should demonstrate:

- a. That, following consultation with the service provider, the availability of utility services has been examined and that the proposals would not result in undue stress on the delivery of those services to the wider community
- b. that proposals incorporate any utility company requirements for substations, telecommunications equipment or similar structures
- c. that service routes have been planned to avoid as far as possible the potential for damage to trees and archaeological remains
- d. where the development impinges on existing infrastructure the provisions for relocating or protecting that infrastructure have been agreed with the service provider.

**Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS19*
- *NPPF*

## **Ventilation/Extraction details**

Odour and noise nuisance can have a detrimental impact on the quality of the local environment. Under section 79 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, local authorities have a duty to take reasonably practicable steps to investigate complaints of statutory nuisance, including “any dust, steam, smell or other effluvia arising on industrial, trade or business premises and being prejudicial to health or a nuisance.

Ventilation/extraction details will be required to accompany all applications for the use of premises for purposes within the following Use Classes:

- A3 (i.e. Restaurants and cafes – use for the sale of food and drink for consumption on the premises)
- A4 (i.e. Drinking establishments – use as a public house, wine-bar or other drinking establishment)
- A5 (i.e. Hot food takeaways – use for the sale of hot food for consumption off the premises)
- B2 (general industrial)

Or required for

- significant retail, business, industrial or leisure or other similar developments where substantial ventilation or extraction equipment is proposed to be installed (excluding odour abatement techniques unless specifically required).

### **Further information**

Details of the position and design of ventilation and extract must be submitted. Noise assessment shall be based on BS 4142 - 2014; and cover the time period when the extract or ventilation system will be operational.

Guidance previously given in DEFRA's [Annex B of Control of Odour and Noise in Commercial Kitchen Exhaust Systems](#), has been withdrawn. We recommend using the principals laid down in Annex B until new guidance has been issued.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) DM10*
- Pre-submission Local Plan 2036: C8
- *Annex B of Control of Odour and Noise in Commercial Kitchen Exhaust Systems*
- *BS4142:2014 Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound*  
[Please note: this link will not take you directly to the document but to the British Standards website where the document can be purchased]

## **Viability Statement**

Where applicants intend to make submissions regarding the viability of developments a Viability Statement must be submitted with the application at the outset.

The Statement should set out development costs and values and any key assumptions made in assessing the profitability of the proposed development. It is likely that the Council will undertake a peer review of the Statement and will require payment for the review to be met by the applicant. Applicants are **strongly recommended** to use the Council's [Pre-application Advice and Guidance Service](#) in order to establish the likely costs of any community/infrastructure contributions which are required in order to allow the development to proceed, at an early stage. Applicants are reminded that [CIL](#) payments are non-negotiable and apply with very few exceptions.

In the event that a Viability Statement is not submitted at the validation stage and becomes an issue later in the planning application, the application will be invalidated until the information has been provided.

### **Policy driver/further guidance:**

- *Local Plan (Core Strategy/Allocations) CS19; CS21; DM11; DM24*
- *NPPF*

## Appendix 1

### National Requirement Links:

Development Management Procedure Order 2015

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/595/pdfs/ukxi\\_20150595\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/595/pdfs/ukxi_20150595_en.pdf)

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[http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/english\\_application\\_fees.pdf](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/english_application_fees.pdf)

Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations) 2011

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2011/1824/pdfs/ukxi\\_20111824\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2011/1824/pdfs/ukxi_20111824_en.pdf)

Planning Practice Guidance (Planning Portal)

<http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/>

### Local Requirement Links:

Havant Borough Council Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

<https://www.havant.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/planning-policy/local-plan-core-strategy>

Havant Borough Council Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

<https://www.havant.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/planning-policy/local-plan-allocations>

Havant Borough Council Pre-Submission Local Plan 2036

<http://havant.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s26271/Cabinet%20Report%20-%20Pre-submission%20Local%20Plan%202036%20-%2030-01-19%20-%20Appendix%201.pdf>

National Planning Policy Framework March 2012

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf)

Havant Borough Council Pre-Application and Guidance Service

<http://www.havant.gov.uk/pre-application-advice-service>