

ITEM 5

MEETING	Joint Local Development Plan Committee
DATE	26 October 2018
NAME	Supplementary Planning Guidance: Housing mix (final draft)
PURPOSE	Consider and approve the proposed response to comments received about the Supplementary Planning Guidance Housing Mix and adopt this Guidance
RECOMMENDATION	That the Committee approves the proposed response to comments received about the Supplementary Planning Guidance Housing Mix and it adopts this Guidance
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1. Background

- 1.1 The Planning Authorities are committed to prepare a range of Supplementary Planning Guidance to support the Joint Local Development Plan. This report presents:
- i. A consultation report on the Housing Mix Supplementary Planning Guidance (Appendix 1);
 - ii. A final draft version of the Housing Mix Supplementary Planning Guidance (Appendix 2).

2. The public consultation and the final draft Guidance

- 2.1 The Supplementary Planning Guidance Housing Mix consultation draft was compiled earlier this year on the basis of consultation with relevant officers in the two Councils and the Joint Local Development Plan Panel and received approval from the Joint Planning Policy Committee on the 26 April 2018
- 2.2 There was a public consultation on the content of the draft document between 17 May and 28 June, 2018. The Public Consultation Report shown in Appendix 1 records the comments received and the response to them. The Guidance at Appendix 2 has been amended as a result of the consultation, taking some of the issues raised into consideration.

3. Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Habitat Regulations Assessment

- 3.1 A screening assessment was conducted to determine if the Guidance should be subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) in accordance with European Directive 2001/42/EC and the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004. Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) of plans and programmes that may affect sites of international importance is one of the requirements of the Habitats Directive (92/42/EEC). Therefore, the Guidance was

assessed to determine whether there was a need for a full appropriate assessment full required under the Habitats Regulations.

- 3.2 The Guidance about the Regulations sets out a process for Authorities to undertake a screening opinion. Primarily because the Guidance supports policies that have been subject to SEA, the conclusion was that there was no need for the Guidance to be subject to SEA. The Plan's policies were assessed under the Habitats Regulations and the conclusion was that there was no need for an appropriate assessment of the plan. Because the Guide supports some of those policies, the screening assessment referred to in paragraph 3.1 above to a conclusion that there was no need for an appropriate assessment of the Guidance.
- 3.3 In accordance with the processes set out in the Regulations referred to above, a copy of the screening assessments were sent to Natural Resources Wales and CADW, which are the specific environmental bodies. These organisations were required to respond within 5 weeks.
- 3.4 This process has determined that the Councils' screening assessments are correct, and, therefore, a SEA and an Appropriate Assessment of the Guidance is not required. A Screening Statement will be published to reflect this decision.

4. Next steps

- 4.1 After the Guidance is adopted it will be a material planning consideration.
- 4.2 A copy of the final Guidance will be available on the websites of the two Councils and hard copy can be found in the offices of the two Planning Services and the Office of the Joint Planning Policy Unit.
- 4.3 A copy of the Public Consultation Report available for public consultation can be found on the websites of the two Councils and hard copy can be found in the offices of the two Planning Service and the Office of the Joint Planning Policy Unit.
- 4.4 A copy of the Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening Statement will be available to view on the Councils' websites and a paper copy will be available to view in the offices of the two Planning Service and the office of the Joint Planning Policy Unit.
- 4.5 We shall inform the individuals that took part on the public consultation that the Guidance has been adopted.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 The Joint Planning Policy Committee is asked to approve the proposed response to comments about the Housing Mix Supplementary Planning Guidance (Appendix 1) and the adopts Housing Mix Supplementary Planning Guidance shown in Appendix 2.

APPENDIX:

Appendix 1: Public consultation report

Appendix 2: Final draft Supplementary Planning Guidance: Housing Mix