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Consultation Statement

The Brampton Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Background

The SPD redefines the special interest of The Brampton Conservation Area and identifies issues which threaten these special qualities. The Management Plan provides a framework for future actions.

Once adopted, the SPD will supplement the objectives and policies contained in the Joint Core Spatial Strategy.

1. Introduction

1.1 Regulation 12 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 states that before a Local Planning Authority adopt a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) they must prepare a statement setting out: the names of any persons the authority consulted in connection with the preparation of the SPD (these are filed within the Planning Service); a summary of the main issues raised in these consultations and how these have been addressed in the SPD. In addition before the SPD can be adopted the Statement has to be made available, with the Supplementary Planning Document, together with details of the date by which representations on it must be made and the address to which they must be sent.

1.2 This Consultation Statement explains the consultation process followed for the SPD, and aims to demonstrate that the Council undertook sufficient public consultations, using its best endeavours to consult and involve the community in the most effective way possible.

2. The Consultation Process

2.1 Information regarding the consultation on the SPD was sent to Historic England, the County Council, Newcastle-under-Lyme Civic Society, the Residents at Gower, Granville and Sidmouth Association, the Council's Conservation Advisory Working Party and local ward members

2.2 A six week consultation programme was carried out on the Supplementary Planning Document from 23rd May to 4th July 2016. This draft is still available to view on the Council's website www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/conservation

The consultation involved:

- The draft SPD and supporting documents was made available to download from the Council's website both during and after the consultation period.
- A consultation event held at in the Civic Offices, on 7th June. Posters about this event were sent to groups and put up around the Conservation Area in public areas.
- News release was published by the Sentinel.
- Inspection copies of the SPD made available in the council offices.
- A consultation response sheet was provided to encourage representations to be made

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2.3 Following the consultation process and the production of this summary statement, representations can be made to the Council for consideration before final approval by the Council and adoption of the documents.

3.0 Summary of the main issues raised and how these have been addressed

3.1 The draft SPD has been well received. No comments have been received from Historic England or the County Council.

3.2 There have been 6 formal representations made. Attendance at the consultation event principally involved residents from Sidmouth Avenue coming to view and discuss the proposals. This is probably due to the involvement of the Residents Association in the process and their supportive and active promotion of it. There much was informal discussion surrounding the area, its special character and the wish for it to be retained and maintained.

3.3 Section 4 sets out in summary the main issues raised by the comments. No amendments are proposed to the documents.

4.0 Consultation Schedule - Comments Received, Council's Response and Actions

Rep ID	Name	Summary of main issue raised	Response	Changes proposed to draft SPD
1	Resident, Gower Street	Agree with proposed extension of the area. Some of business premises have been detrimental to character of area with number of parked cars. Supports the Article 4 Direction (A4D).	Noted.	None
2	Resident, Gower Street	Agree with proposed extension. Thinks that some planning decisions do not respect Conservation Area. Supports the A4D.	Note	None
3	Resident, Sidmouth Avenue	Agrees with extension. Conservation Area been harmed by planning decisions to increase development. Wants stronger enforcement action in future. Supports A4D.	Noted	None
4	Resident, Sidmouth Avenue	Agrees with the extension. Enforcement action needs to be strong to retain the character of the area. Supports the A4D.		None None
5	Resident, Sidmouth Avenue	Agrees with the extension and that it is collective effort to help to maintain the character of the area. Supports the A4D.	Noted and agree	None.
6	Resident, Florence Street	Agrees with extension. Thinks there has been a lack of enforcement action by the Conservation Officer. Supports the A4D.	Noted.	None