

Consultation Statement

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

Background

The SPD redefines the special interest of the Madeley 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.

A Sustainability Appraisal has not been prepared for this Supplementary Planning Document. It is considered that sustainability issues are addressed at the higher level in the Core Spatial Strategy and the SPD is in line with the sustainability objectives identified in this strategic document.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Regulation 12 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 which came into force on the 6th April 2012 state 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 and Development 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 The Council contacted the Madeley Conservation Group and Madeley Parish Council to see if they were interested in being involved in the process of carrying out a review of the Madeley Conservation Area. They both expressed interest and the Parish Council agreed that the Conservation Group would represent the Parish interests in the process.
- 2.2 A six week consultation programme was carried out on the draft consultation Madeley Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan Supplementary Planning Document from 1 May to 12 June 2012.

The consultation involved:

- Letters and the SPD being sent to: Council members and stakeholders including the Madeley Community Association, Madeley Tidy Group, Madeley Residents' Association and the Madeley Locality Action Partnership.
- The draft SPD and supporting documents being made available to download from the Council's website both during and after the consultation period.
- An exhibition and consultation event held at the Madeley Centre on 29th May for 4 hours.
- New release to the Sentinel.
- Inspection copies of the SPD being made available in the Guildhall, the Borough Council offices and the Madeley Centre.

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

- 3.1 The draft SPD has been well received informally by a number of parties, including English Heritage and the Council's Conservation Advisory Working Party, as well as by the Madeley Conservation Group (as co-author) and Madeley Parish Council.
- 3.2 In total, 2 individuals submitted comments. This is interpreted as an indication that the involvement of the local community in drafting the SPD has been effective in engaging with the purpose of the SPD and its proposals.
- 3.3 Section 4 sets out in summary the main issues raised by the comments. Proposed minor amendments to the draft SPD are set out.

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	Mr J Worgan	Noted a 3 typographical errors and suggested word changes.	Noted and accepted.	Amend text to correct typographical errors.
2	Rita Foster	Refers specifically to former wall outside Smithy House which the Council demolished when the footpath was widened and replaced by an unsympathetic brick wall. Can this be replaced with more sympathetic wall?	It is likely that this was the County Council. If funding ever became available it may be possible to consider reinstatement as walls are an important part of the Conservation Area.	No change