

## **Introduction**

As part of the Guildford Development Framework (GDF), we are preparing the Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD). From 21 November 2007 to 30 January 2008, we consulted you on the early stages of the preparation of the Site Allocations DPD. During that consultation period there was considerable public interest and thousands of consultation responses submitted to us. Thank you to all of you who took the time to respond to us. The level of interest has produced valuable information to help us assess the suggested sites and their suitability for the proposed land uses.

This 'summary of responses' has been produced to provide information for all those who are interested in the continuing progress of the Site Allocations DPD. It will also help to give initial information to officers who will be assessing the suitability of site suggestions. Please note however that as detailed site analysis takes place, all consultation responses will be considered, sole reliance will not be placed on the summary, which does not report every consultation comment received. Therefore, if you feel your comments have not been included in the summary, please be assured that every comment will be considered at the site analysis stage.

Page 6 of this document explains the structure and content of the summary of responses. A glossary of terms is available at the end of this document.

This summary should be read in conjunction with the Site Allocations consultation documents, which apart from the Response Form, are still available for your information from our website. This includes the Consultation Paper, Site Proformas (detailing the site area and associated planning constraints) and Ward Maps.

For more information on the Site Allocations DPD or the Guildford Development Framework (GDF), please contact the Planning Policy Team.

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## Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) and the Guildford Development Framework (GDF)

The central, over-arching part of the GDF, called the Core Strategy, explains how the borough is likely to change in the coming years, how this will happen, and sets out the long-term vision for the borough.

The Site Allocations DPD will identify the sites that will help achieve the aims of the Core Strategy. The Site Allocations DPD has to comply with the Core Strategy and regional and national planning policy.

It is our aim to find the most sustainable sites for development, to preserve and enhance the distinct character of Guildford Borough while at the same time meeting local needs and regional and national targets (for example, providing affordable housing).

## Site Allocations Issues and Options Consultation (21 November 2007 – 30 January 2008).

From 21 November 2007 to 30 January 2008, we consulted you on over 200 sites in Guildford Borough that had been suggested to us (or by us as landowner) for potential future development. No assessment of the suitability of the suggestion was carried out before we consulted you. We value your local knowledge, and therefore wanted to have this information available to us as we assess the sites for suitability.

We met with many of you at the drop in sessions which took place in January 2008 and appreciated the opportunity to discuss these suggestions with you.

We received over 4,000 consultation responses, which resulted in just fewer than 20,000 comments on specific site suggestions. We also received many petitions. One petition counts as one comment, however, the number of people who signed the petition is noted in the summary table.

## What Happens Next?

The assessment of the suitability of sites will begin later this year. In many cases this will involve site visits and further liaison with relevant parties (e.g. landowners) and key stakeholders. We will keep you updated on the progress of the assessment of the sites through the GDF newsletter, which is mailed to those on our GDF mailing list and is available to download from our website at [www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy](http://www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy).

During the Issues and Options consultation, we provided the opportunity for you to suggest more sites to us. These site suggestions are currently being prepared for public consultation, which will take place in 2009. If your contact details are on our GDF mailing list, we will notify you at the start of the consultation. All Parish Councils, and Residents Associations known to us, will automatically be notified.

If you would like to be on our GDF mailing list, please contact us.  
(See contact details on page 3).

## Park & Ride Sites

Thank you to all of you from Worplesdon and the surrounding areas who provided comments on the proposed Park and Ride sites in the ward. All the comments received have been summarised in this document for your information. The full comments have been passed to our Transport Team as they progress this work.

Many respondents submitted the same comments for all the proposed Park and Ride sites. Some similar comments are therefore listed for all the proposed Park and Ride sites in the summaries.

The potential Park and Ride sites were included in the Site Allocations consultation to avoid running two separate public consultations, at the same time. However, from now on, the proposed Park and Ride sites in Worplesdon will no longer be part of the Site Allocations progress, as the timescales for these projects no longer coincide.

For further information on the progression of this work please visit our website where there is a Frequently Asked Questions section answering many Park and Ride questions which were asked during the Site Allocations consultation period, or contact our Transport Team.

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## Community Action Plans

In Guildford Borough, work is being carried out by several local community groups to prepare their own Community Action Plan (CAP). A CAP is a local plan prepared by a community group, which reflects their priorities and establishes a detailed list of actions through which they may be achieved. Whilst Community Action Plans are non-statutory planning documents, they provide an important source of information on the key issues in local areas which may then be fed into the GDF and Site Allocations DPD.

Send Village has completed a CAP, and work is ongoing in West Horsley, Pirbright and Ripley to produce a CAP. At the time of the Site Allocations consultation, a volunteer group of residents from West Horsley were conducting a survey to provide evidence for their CAP.

Any survey results and finalised CAPs available (only Send Village had finished a CAP at the time of publication) can be read in conjunction with this summary of responses. See the Council's website for more information ([www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy](http://www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy) > Community Action Plans).

### Structure of the 'Summary of Responses'

All sites are in ward order, as they appeared in the Site Allocations Issues and Options Consultation Paper. The site reference number, site address and suggested land use shown in this document is as listed in the Consultation Paper.

The consultation documents are still available for your information from our website at [www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy](http://www.guildford.gov.uk/planningpolicy) > Guildford Development Framework.

Each site includes the following summary table and headings;

Site reference number	<i>As appeared in the Consultation Paper</i>
Site address	<i>As appeared in the Consultation Paper</i>
Suggested land use	<i>As appeared in the Consultation Paper</i>
Number of comments received	<i>The number of comments received for the site suggestion</i>
Number of respondents in agreement with the suggested land use	<i>The number of respondents who ticked the box labelled 'should this site be allocated in the Site Allocations DPD for the suggested use(s)?' on the response form for this site</i>
Number of respondents suggesting alternative uses	<i>The number of respondents who ticked the box labelled 'should this site be allocated in the Site Allocations DPD for an alternative use?' on the response form for this site</i>

### Most common supporting comments

Of all the comments received supporting the proposed site and suggested land use, those summarised under this heading are the comments most frequently made.

### Most common objections

Of all the comments received opposing the proposed site and suggested land use, those summarised under this heading are the comments most frequently made.

### Local information gathered

One of the main aims of the consultation was to collect local information about the site and surrounding area, as we appreciate that those who know the area may have useful information that will help us assess the site's suitability for development.

The comments made under this heading are a flavour of the information we gathered. The list is not exhaustive and, until further work is carried out, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information provided.

A lot of the information collected reinforces or adds to officers' existing knowledge of individual site constraints.

### Any additional relevant information

Under this heading is any additional information that aids the understanding of the comments that have been made.

### Alternative use suggestions

Under this heading is a summary of the alternative use suggestions most frequently made.

The comments listed are not ranked in any way.