

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPD FACT SHEET AND NEXT STEPS

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This fact sheet is a quick reference guide to the Sustainable Design and Construction SPD, the work done on it so far, the current consultation phase and the next stages in the process towards adopting the document.

The role and status of the Sustainable Design and Construction SPD

The Sustainable Design and Construction SPD seeks to ensure that the built environment is planned and developed in a way that enables people to live more sustainable lifestyles. The guidance will inform architects, developers and planners and all other professionals involved in construction and design in Barnet. The guidance provides:

- Barnet's interpretation of sustainable development; sets out the design issues which are material considerations for the determination of all planning applications;
- guidance on the standards that should be achieved for good and best practice in environmental design and construction management and, where appropriate, how such standards can be achieved; and
- sets out how the Council wants developers and planning applicants to engage with the Council in order to ensure that new planning proposals appropriately address sustainable development.

Where are we now and what will happen next.....

STAGE A COMPLETED
Pre Production and Evidence Gathering

This was an ongoing and information consultation period and was a chance to explore different options for development and the issues the SPD should try to tackle. In this period the document was developed addressing issues of sustainable development in Barnet.



STAGE B CURRENT STAGE
Production of Draft SPD and consultation on the Draft SPD

A Draft SPD has been produced, taking into account the evidenced gathered. The consultation period on the draft SPD runs from the 23rd November 2006 to the 10th January 2007.



STAGE C
Representation and Finalise SPD

The Council will consider all comments received during the consultation period, and publish a document which details the Council's response to each representation and if appropriate how the SPD has been amended as a result. The Council will then proceed to adopt the SPD.



Adoption

The Consultation

If you want to make any comments, please use the form provided and return by 5pm on Wednesday , 10th January 2007 to: Planning Policy Team, Planning Department, 7th Floor, Barnet House, 1255 High Road, Whetstone, London N20 OEJ.
Tel 020 8359 4990. Please use a different form for each representation.