

Contaminated Land Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultation Statement

Introduction

The Contaminated Land Supplementary Planning Document was prepared in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

The document has been adopted by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for use as a material consideration in the development management process.

Consultation

Following Cabinet approval (15 September 2016), the draft document was subject to public consultation for a period of six weeks from 16 May 2016 until 27 June 2016. All Parish and Town Councils and a number of amenity societies and interest groups were invited to comment on the document, which was also published online. A public notice was placed in the local press and hard copies were placed in public libraries and Council offices. In addition to this, there was a public consultation event held at the Town Hall on 18 May 2016 between 2pm and 5pm to allow those interested to ask questions and to make comment in person.

The response to the public consultation was reported to Members at the meeting of the Cabinet dated 15 September 2016. The report set out the public comments in summary form and outlined the officers' response to these, together with recommendations for change to the document where appropriate. The reports are available from the Council or can be viewed on the Council's website at

http://democracy.tunbridgewells.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=118&Mld=3621&Ver=4

At the September 2016 Cabinet meeting, Members approved the proposed amendments to the Contaminated Land guidance and its adoption as a Supplementary Planning Document for use as a material consideration in the development management process.