

Hinckley and Bosworth Local  
Development Framework

**Burbage Design Statement  
Supplementary Planning  
Document**

Representations and Comments  
From the Public Consultation

December 2005

## Introduction

Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Regulation 18(4)(b) a local planning authority shall not adopt a Supplementary Planning Document until:

- Representations have been made and considered in respect of the draft SPD;
- A statement is prepared setting out a summary of the main issues raised in these representations and how these main issues have been addressed in the SPD which it is intended to adopt.

This document sets out the main issues raised through public consultation on the Draft Burbage Village Design Statement SPD and indicates how these main issues were addressed in revising the SPD for adoption.

The Burbage Village Design Statement Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) was consulted on between 7<sup>th</sup> November – 19<sup>th</sup> December 2005. The following six formal representations were received by the deadline.

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| <b>Respondent</b>  |
| <b>The Countryside Agency</b>  |
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| <b>Summary of Issues</b>   |
| Support the development of the Village design statement and the potential to conserve, enhance and improve open space. |
| <b>Reasoned Response</b>   |
| Noted  |
| <b>Proposed Changes</b>  |
| None   |

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| <b>Guidance Note 7: Designing Out Crime</b>  |
| <b>Respondent</b><br>Leicestershire Constabulary   |
| <b>Summary of Issues</b><br><br>Suggest the following amendments are made to Guidance Note 7<br><br>7.1 The following should be added to the end of the statement “ <i>both in terms of the layout design and in the elements of physical security.</i> ”<br><br>7.2 Change “incorporate a range security features” to “ <i>incorporating a range of security features</i> ”<br><br>7.3 The Paragraph should be re-examined.<br><br>7.4 Add “ <i>Where new lighting is provided it should be of a type that gives good colour rendition</i> ”  |
| <b>Reasoned Response</b><br><br>Agree with all the above comments  |
| <b>Proposed Changes</b><br><br>7.1 Change inline with comments made above<br><br>7.2 Change inline with comments made above<br><br>7.3 Change to:<br>“ <i>To create safer environments alleyways serving the rear of properties should be gated.<br/> Alleyways that are not over looked, provide useful access and escape routes for criminals and do not provide an essential route for the public should be closed (using the appropriate procedures).<br/> Alleyways that provide an essential route at night and where an alternative safe route is not available should be well lit.</i> ”<br><br>7.4 Change inline with comments made above |

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| <b>Guidance Note 4, 5 + 6</b>   |
| <p>Respondent</p> <p>English Nature</p>   |
| <p>Summary of Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GN 4.5 Soft landscaping should require the use of locally native species in planting schemes</li> <li>2. GN 5 recommend that targets are added, to ensure the delivery of biodiversity enhancement and protection</li> <li>3. GN 6 Recommend incorporation targets for play and open space requirements</li> </ol> |
| <p>Reasoned Response</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Agree</li> <li>2. This is not design guidance or the purpose of this document.</li> <li>3. The recommendation is dealt with in the Borough Council's Play and Open Space Guide. This also in not a function of a Village Design Statement.</li> </ol>  |
| <p>Proposed Changes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Amend GN 4.5 to reflect the use of locally native species in soft landscaping.</li> <li>2. None</li> <li>3. None</li> </ol>   |

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| <b>Guidance Note 3: The Street Scene</b>  |
| <b>Respondent</b><br><br>Cyclists Touring Club  |
| <b>Summary of Issues</b><br><br>Not much of the work needed to improve cycling provision will be covered by S106 agreement, so where is the money needed for this important work coming from? |
| <b>Reasoned Response</b><br><br>Noted   |
| <b>Proposed Changes</b><br><br>None   |

**Guidance Note 2: Design Principles**

**Respondent:** Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Development Control  
Department – East Team

**Summary of Issues**

Suggest the following amendments are made to Guidance Note 2

1. 2.4 Agree with the question but how easily can this be achieved?
2. 2.5 It is felt that Mature Areas Definition is at odds with PPG3 and appears to be contradicted by GN2.5. In addition it is felt that the properties to which this applies need to be more accurately depicted, ideally shown on a map. So that they can not be questioned during the application and/or appeal process.

**General Comments**

3. Whilst the publication gives a full and detailed appraisal of the existing housing within the area, it is felt that it gives little direction as to the positives and negatives to be taken from the existing form, to be used or avoided in future development.
4. The document and guidance notes are very focused on residential development and lack details on shopping, employment and community uses.
5. It seems a shame that the proposed map inserts are not to the same standard as the rest of the publication.
6. Page 30 – paragraph 3 - Character – “high quality” areas – concerns regarding the use of the term “high quality” with no description of what is meant. Surely we are striving for high quality development in all areas

**Reasoned Response**

1. The recommendation is dealt with throughout the Village Design Statement.
2. This issue is resolved in the Burbage Village Plan, which should be read in conjunction to the Burbage Village Design Statement.
3. Agree
4. Noted
5. Agree
6. Agree

**Proposed Changes**

1. None
2. None
3. Mention what are the important features in each of the zones.
4. Noted
5. To digitalise the proposed maps
6. Change to: *“The mature areas, in the context of this document, are high quality residential areas in terms of design, layout and landscaping that ensures a more attractive and sustainable residential environment. These generally date from Victorian, Edwardian and inter-war periods and were built to low or medium densities.”*

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| <b>No Comments on the content of the Village Design Statement</b> |
| The National Trust. Highways Agency.                              |