

PORTFOLIO HOLDER/LEAD MEMBER UPDATE SUMMARY

PORTFOLIO:¹

Planning

CABINET DATE:²

5th December 2023

KEY ACTIVITIES SINCE
THE LAST REPORT:³

Planning for Climate Change Documents

As a brief summary of the consultation, we received responses from 103 people/organisations/businesses, who made over 800 comments in total. We will be producing a consultation statement, and summaries of comments and the council's responses to them, which will be published alongside the final documents.

In terms of the amendments to the documents, these were generally not considered to be fundamental, and are mainly clarifications and updates. However to summarise the most significant of these:

Interim Guidance and Position Statement

- Position statements 1 and 2 have been amended to clarify levels of weight to be applied to climate change as a material consideration, and to make this consistent across the two position statements
- Amendments and separation of sections in the preceding section to Position Statement 2, relating to the temporary nature of renewable energy schemes, and impacts on agricultural land
- Addition of a section in the preceding section to Position Statement 2, and a paragraph within Position Statement 2 itself, relating to applications affecting the Green Belt

Sustainability Checklist

- Amendments to clarify when a Sustainability Statement and Checklist will be required and to make clear that levels of information needed will be

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² Insert the date of the Cabinet meeting to which this summary update is to be reported

³ Provide brief details of the meetings attended, key activities or project milestones completed since the last report

proportionate to the type and scale of the application

- Addition of information within each explanatory section relating to how best practice objectives relate to adopted planning policy
- Amendments to clarify levels of information requested to demonstrate best practice objectives for energy efficiency, low carbon heating, and embodied carbon
- Additional section/question relating to active/sustainable travel

Listed buildings – what you can do for climate change

- Addition of section (2.5) clarifying that the guidance can be applied to historic unlisted buildings as well as listed buildings in responses to multiple responses about this issue
- Addition of a case study relating to South Shore Lodge, Brownsea Island, as an example of a smaller scheme of measures to upgrade heating systems in a listed building
- Addition of a paragraph within Section 5, relating to the current [Historic England consultation on draft guidance for climate change and adaptation measures in listed buildings](#), which includes (at paragraph 83) some guidance on slim-line double glazing which potentially conflicts with the council's approach and differs to previous Historic England guidance – we thought it best to highlight/address this as it is something that whilst it is only draft guidance will likely generate some interest. We'll monitor the outputs from this consultation and review accordingly, if needed.

The Planning for Climate Change documents now form part of the Planning Application process

DELEGATED DECISIONS
MADE:⁴

⁴ Enter details of any delegated decisions made since the last meeting

ANTICIPATED
ACTIVITIES/MILESTONES
FOR NEXT PERIOD:⁵



⁵ Provide details of key activities, project milestones or significant meetings anticipated in the next period