

ADOPTION STATEMENT

PURBECK DISTRICT DESIGN GUIDE

SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

In accordance with Regulations 12(a), 14(a) (ii) and 35 of the Town & Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (No. 767), that the Purbeck District Design Guide was formally approved for adoption as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) by Purbeck District Council on 14th January 2014, with the SPD coming into full effect from that date.

The SPD provides further detail to policies within the Purbeck Local Plan Part 1 (PLP1). The SPD will help to facilitate sensitive development and suitable design within Purbeck.

Public consultation was carried out on the contents of the SPD between 21st September and 1st November 2013. As a consequence of representations received, a number of amendments were made to the documents as follows:

- Paragraph 133 amended with addition of the text: The purpose of this section is to draw your attention to other planning policies adopted locally, each of which may affect the way in which new housing schemes are designed.
- Paragraph 50 amended to clarify that not all trees of value are covered by designations. Reference to ancient woodland is added to part G of paragraph 12.
- The last sentence of paragraph 46 replaced to read: The Council operates the Dorset Biodiversity Protocol which enables you to secure advice concerning appropriate bird, bat and biodiversity requirements. Details can be found on the Council's website www.dorsetforyou.com.
- The proposed text would be more suitably considered in 'providing new homes'. A new paragraph is added: Heathlands: Where your development would consist of more than fifty new dwellings, you will need to make provision for Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG). Requirements are set out in the Dorset Heathlands Planning Framework SPD 2012-14. Whilst this may not affect the design of your housing scheme, the SANG will itself require careful design. Natural England is working to prepare guidance.
- Paragraph 41 amended to add wildlife to the list of things which may be adversely affected.
- "Good Practice Guidance for Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity" added to the list in sources of further help and advice.
- Reference to sewers is added to bullet F of paragraph 12.

The adopted District Design Guide SPD and this Adoption Statement are available as follows:

Purbeck District Council, Westport House, Wareham

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 5.00pm. Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

The documents can be viewed and downloaded from the Council's website at:

http://www.dorsetforyou.com/408863

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the District Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document may make an application to the High Court for leave to apply for a judicial review of the decision. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than 3 months after the date on which the SPD was adopted.