Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultation Statement in accordance with Regulation 12 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

The Parking Standards SPD defines the appropriate number of parking spaces to serve various types of development across the borough. Regulation 12 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires the Council to publish a statement setting out:

- The persons the local planning authority consulted when preparing the Supplementary Planning Document;
- A summary of the main issues raised by those persons; and
- How those issues have been addressed in the Supplementary Planning Document.

The statement should be published prior to the adoption of the SPD. This statement reflects the above requirements. The list of the persons that the Council consulted when preparing the SPD is in Appendix 1. A summary of the main issues raised and how those issues have been addressed in the SPD is in Appendix 2. There was a formal consultation on the SPD for a period of six weeks between 7 April 2017 and 22 May 2017. The consultation was publicised on the Council's website, in the local newspapers and hard copies of the draft SPD were deposited at the various libraries across the borough and in the Civic Offices for inspection. Overall, a total of 26 individuals and organisations made representations covering a broad range of issues as set out in Appendix 2.

The following modifications have been made as a result of the representations received and are incorporated in the SPD. The modifications are made to enhance the guality of the SPD and/or to provide up to date information:

- Section 3 under road network the B382 Old Woking Road is added to the list. Knaphill/St Johns and Marbury should be deleted from the list of problem area.
- Section 3 the sentence beginning 'the traffic impacts are considered..' should be deleted and be replaced by 'Recent studies carried out by the Council have demonstrated that there will be a need for appropriate measures of mitigation to address future development impacts on these traffic hotspots. The Council is working in partnership with Surrey County Council to identify deliverable transport schemes to address the transport impacts at these hotspots'.
- Section 3 under future growth the following sentence should be added to the paragraph 'The Council also plans to safeguard land to meet future development needs between 2027 and 2040.
- Section 3 under Woking Town Centre the statement about the future growth for social, community and transport infrastructure is incomplete. The following should be added to the box/row beginning - set out in the infrastructure 'community facilities and transport and accessibility improvement measures such as rail, road and bus improvement measures as well as on-going improvements to walking and cycling infrastructure'.
- Table 3 bullet point 5 the word 'guide' should be deleted and replaced by 'minimum'. The following sentence should be added to the bullet point 'This is necessary to accommodate the nature and size of modern cars'.

- Table 3 the following additional bullet point should be added –There will be
 a planning condition on planning approvals to restrict the conversion of
 garages to habitable rooms.
- Section 4.4 the title Disabled parking is proposed to change to Accessible parking. This is the current terminology often used.
- Section 4.6 third bullet point the following sentence should be added 'Development should not be using styles of cycle stand that hold a wheel.
- Section 4.6 the following should be added to the box titled Please note The floor areas specified apply to the built development.
- Table 3 a sentence has been included to encourage the provision of spaces for motor-bike in major developments.

Overall the Council is satisfied that the Parking Standards SPD has been prepared in accordance with the Regulations and other relevant statutory procedures.

APPENDIX 1

Specific consultee bodies

AMEC

Bisley Parish Council Bracknell Forest Council Chobham Parish Council

DEFRA

Department for Transport Elmbridge Borough Council

HeritageEngland - South East Region

Environment Agency

Epsom and Ewell Borough Council

Guildford Borough Council Hart District Council Highways England

Mobile Operators Association Mole Valley District Council

National Grid Natural England Network Rail

Ockham Parish Council Pirbright Parish Council

POS (SE)

Reigate and Banstead Borough

Council

Ripley Parish Council

Royal Borough of Windsor and

Maidenhead

Runnymede Borough Council Rushmoor Borough Council

Send Parish Council Southern Gas Networks Spelthorne Borough Council

Sport England South Surrey County Council

Surrey Heath Borough Council Tandridge District Council

ThamesWater

The Planning Bureau Limited The Planning Inspectorate

Veolia Water

Waverley Borough Council West End Parish Council Wisley Parish Council Woking Partnership

Wokingham Borough Council Worplesdon Parish Council

Agents and Developers

A H K Associates A.N.D. Consulting AAP Architecture Ltd

Adams Planning+ Development Ltd

ADM Architecture

Alexson Homes Allchurch Bailey

Alliance Environment and Planning Ltd AMG Planning and Development Anderson Planning and Development

Antler Homes

Apcar Smith Planning

Architype

Ashill Developments B R I C Developments Ltd

Balmoral Homes

Banner Homes (Wessex) Ltd

Barratt Homes
Barton Willmore
Batcheller Thacker
BBF Fielding
Beaumonde Homes

Beckbridge Ltd
Beechcroft Developments
Bell Cornwell Partnership

Bellway Homes

Berkley Homes (Southern) Ltd

Bewley Homes Birchwood Homes Bishopgate Homes Ltd

Bloor Homes
Blue Architects
Blue Cedar Homes
Blue Sky Planning Ltd
BNP Paribas Real Estate
Bonham Homes Ltd
Bouygues Development
Bovis Homes Ltd

Boyer Planning Ltd

Brimble, Lea and Partners

Broadway Malyan Bruton Knowles

Bryan Jezeph Consultancy Burhill Golf and Leisure Ltd Cadenza Estates Ltd

CALA Homes

Cameron Jones Planning
Capita Norman and Dawbarn

Carter Jonas LLP
Carter Planning Ltd

Castle Wildish Chartered Surveyors

CGMS

Charles Church Developments Ltd

Charles Richards

Churchods

Clarence Country Homes Ltd Clarke Gammon Wellers

ClarkeWillmott

Conceptual Design Associates Ltd Cooper Environmental Planning

Courtley Consultants Ltd Covery Developments Ltd Crane and Associates Crest Strategic Projects

Croudace D & M Planning

Dalton Warner Davis LLP

Danks Badnell

David L.Walker Chartered Surveyors

Day Tanner Partnership Ltd
Development Planning Partnership

DHA Architecture
DHS Engineering
Donnajane Whitcombe
DPDS Consulting Group
Drivers Jonas Deloitte

DSP DTZ

Edgington Spink and Hyne Architects

Edwards and Associates

Exedra Architects

Fairview New Homes Plc Fibonacci Architects

Firefly Firstplan

Flowitt Architects

Floyd Matcham (Hampshire) Ltd Form Architecture and Planning

FrankWinter Associates

Fullerthorne

Fuller Long Planning
Fusion Online Ltd
Fusion Online Planning

George Wimpey South West Thames

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George WimpeyWest London Ltd

Gerald Eve

Gerry Lytle Associates Ltd

Gillenden Development Company Ltd

GL Hearn

Gleeson Strategic Land Glen House Estates Ltd

Goadsby and harding Commercial

Goldcrest Homes

Gordon Ellerington Development

Consultants GRB-Ventures

Gregory Gray Associates Gurney Consulting Engineers

GVA Grimley

Hallam Land Management Ltd

Hammerson UK
Hayward Partnership
Henry Adams Planning Ltd

Henry Smith

Heritage Architecture

Heritage Property Consultant

Heronsbrook

Holder Mathias Architects
House Builders Federation
Housing Expectations
HTA Design LLP

Humberts

Hyder Consulting (UK) Ltd

Iceni Projects Ltd
Iconic Design
Indigo Planning Ltd
James Smith Associates
John Ebdon Homes
JSA Architects
Kempton Carr Croft
Kiely Planning
King Sturge

Knight Normal Partnership

Knowles

Lacey Simmons Ltd

Lambert Smith Hampton on behalf of

NOMS/HM Prison Service

Landmark Information Group Ltd

Leach and Co Leith Planning Ltd

Lewel Ltd

Linden Homes South East Ltd

Lizard Estates Local Dialogue

M.C.S. Design Planning Consultants

MAA Architects
Maddox & Associates
Martin Critchell Architects

Martin Gardner Martin Grant Homes

Mary Hackett and Associates

Mayer Brown MBH Partnership

McCarthy and Stone (Developments)

Ltd

MCS Design Mercury Planning MGA Town Planning Michael Shanley Group

Millgate Homes

Mitchell Evans Partnership

Morgan Smithyes Mott MacDonald Mouchel Parkman

Nathaniel Lichfield and Partners National Farmers Union (SE Region) National Landlords Association

Nigel Rose Architects Norman Knight Partnership Nye Saunders Architects Octagon Developments Ltd

Omega Partnership Open Planning OSP Architects

Parnell Design Partnership LLP

Parsons Brinckerhoff Peacock and Smith

Persimmon Homes (South East)

Peter Allan Phoenix Planning

Pitmans

Planning Issues Ltd

Planning Issues/Churchill Retirement

Planware Ltd

Pleydell Smithyman Ltd PRC Fewster Planning

Proteus

PRP Architects
Pyrford Homes Ltd

Quinton Scott Chartered Surveyors

and

Estate Agents

Quod Ingeni Building

R Perrin Town Planning Consultants

Rapleys LLP

Raspin Propoerties Ltd RDJW Architects Ltd Reef Estates Ltd

Rippon Development Services

Rolfe Judd

Romans Land and Planning

RPS Planning

Runnymede Homes Ltd Rushmon New Homes Ruston Planning Ltd Rutland Group Rydon Homes

Savills

SCD Architects (Hampton Court) Scott Brownrigg – Planning

Shanly Homes

St James South Thames Ltd

Stanhope Plc

Stephanie Webster Architect

Sterling Portfolio Management on

behalf of Leylano Ltd Stewart Ross Associates Strategic Land Partnerships

S106 Management

Tanner and Tilley Town Planning

Consultants

Terence O'Rourke Tetlow King Planning The John Philips Planning

Consultancy

The Landmark Trust
The Planning Bureau Ltd
Thomas Eggar LLP

Thomas Roberts Estate Ltd

Turley Associates VailWilliams

Vincent Homes Ltd

Vincent James Homes Ltd

WADP Architects

Waterfall, Durrant and Barclays

Wates Developments
Wentworth Homes
West Estates Limited
WestWaddy: ADP
Weston Architects Ltd
Winser Chartered Surveyors

Woking 20 Developments Ltd

Woolf Bond Planning Work Space Group

WYG Management Services WYG Planning and Design

Community support groups

Byfleet United Charities Home-StartWoking Just Advocacy Lakers Youth Centre Lakeview Youth Club

Liaise

Sheerwater Youth Centre Surrey Community Action The Barnsbury Project

The Sheerwater/Maybury Partnership West ByfleetWomen's Institute Woking Community Transport Ltd

Woking Youth Arts Centre
Woking Youth Centre
York Road Project

Disability Groups

Carers Support Woking
Just Advocacy
North West Surrey Association Of
Disabled People
Surrey Disabled People's Partnership
The Squirrels
Woking MIND

Elderly Groups

Age Concern Friends of The Elderly **Health Groups**

Health & Safety Executive

NHS Property Services - Planning and

Development Assistant

NHS Surrey

North West Surrey CCG

South East Coast Strategic Health

Authority

Surrey County Council - Public Health

Team

Virgin Care Limited

Housing Associations

A2 Dominion

Ability Housing Association

Accent Peerless Ltd

Affinity Sutton

Bracknell Forest Homes

Catalyst Housing

Downland Housing Association Greenoak Housing Association

Housing 21

Hyde Housing Association (Hyde

Martlet) Hydemartlet

London & Quadrant Housing Trust Mount Green Housing Association

New Vision Homes

Paragon Housing Association Pinecrofe Housing Association

Places for People Ltd

Rosemary Simmons Memorial

Housing Association Rosetower Ltd Servite Houses

South Neighbourhood: L&Q Housing

Trust

Stonham Housing Association

Surrey Heath Housing

Thames Valley Housing Association

The Guinness Trust Tower Homes Ltd

Transform

Welmede Housing Association

Local businesses

ASDA

Cap Gemini

Carisbrooke Investments

Chris Thomas Ltd

Christchurch Bookshop

Clerical Medical Managed Funds Ltd

Country Land and Business

Association

Enterprise First

Federation of Small Businesses

(Surrey and West Sussex Regional Office)

GMK

Horsell Businesses' and Traders'

Association Jones Day

Knaphill Traders Association

M3Enterprise LEP

McLaren Group Limited

Moyallen

MRC Pension Trust Ltd

National Housing Federation South

East

Repropoint

Surrey Chamber of Commerce

Surrey Connects The Garibaldi The Lightbox

The Peacocks Centre Tourism South East

Tovs R US

West Byfleet Business Association

William Nash PLC

Wm Morrison Supermarkets Plc Woking and District Trades Council Woking Asian Business Forum

Woking Borough Council Town Centre

Manager

Woking Chamber Woking Shopmobility

Wolsey Place Shopping Centre

Local residents (1392)

Minority Groups

Chinese Association of Woking (CAW)

Deafplus

Friends Families and Travellers

Planning

Friends, Families and Travellers Gypsy and Traveller Forum

Indian Association of Surrey Irish Community Association

Irish Travellers Movement in Britain

(ITMB)

Lakeview Community Action Group London Gypsy and Traveller Unit

Muslim Community Centre

National Association of Gypsy And

Traveller Officers
Outline Surrey

Surrey Access Forum

Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership (SLLP)

Surrey Travellers Community

Relations Forum

The Gypsy Council (GCECWR)

The Shah Jehan Mosque

Transform Housing

Woking Association of Voluntary

Service (WAVS)

Woking Chinese School

Woking Pakistan Muslim Welfare

Association

Nature, environmental and conservation organisations

Ancient Monuments Society

Basingstoke Canal Authority Byfleet, West Byfleet & Pyrford

Residents Association

Campaign to Protect Rural England -

Surrey Office

Commission for Architecture and the

Built Environment

Council for British Archaeology

CPRE Woking and Surrey

Energy Saving Trust

English Heritage South East Region

Forestry Commission Friends of the Earth

Georgian Group

Horsell Common Preservation Society

Inland Waterways Association

Local Agenda 21

Maybury Sheerwater Partnership

Garden Project

National Trust

National Trust - RiverWey &

Godalming Navigations

NFU Office

Open Spaces Society

Surrey & Farming Wildlife Advisory

Group

Surrey & Hampshire Canal Society

Surrey Archaeological Society

Surrey Countryside Access Forum

(SCAF)

Surrey Heathland Project

Surrey Nature Partnership

SurreyWildlife Trust

The British Wind Energy Association

The Garden History Society

The RSPB

The Society for The Protection Of

Ancient Buildings

The Twentieth Century Society

Urban Parks Forum

Victorian Society

Wildlife Trusts South East

Woking Cycle Users Group

Woking Local Action 21

Woodland Trust

Other organisations

CNS Systems - Navigation, Spectrum

& Surveillance

Entec UK Ltd

Guildford Police Station

National Grid Control Centre

Probation Service

Scotia Gas Networks

Surrey Police

Thameswey Sustainable Communities

The Coal Authority

Walden Telecom Ltd

Local Councillors (Borough and

County)

MP forWoking

Woking Conservatives

Woking Liberal Democrats

Residents associations

Alpha Road Tenant & Leaseholders

Association

Anthony's Residents Association

Brambledown Residents Association

Brookwood Village Association

Byfleet Village Association

Byfleet, West Byfleet & Pyrford

Residents Association

Cheapside Residents Association

Claydon Road Residents Association

Friars Rise Residents Association

Gloster Road and Priors Croft

Residents Association

Goldsworth Park Community

Association

Hillside Residents Association

Hockering Residents Association

Hook Heath Residents Association

Horsell Park Neighbourhood Watch /

Woking Association Neighbourhood

Watches (WAN)

Horsell Park Residents Association

Horsell Residents Association

Knaphill Residents' Association

Maybourne Rise & WoodpeckerWay

Residents Association

Maybury Community Association

Mayford Village Society Moor Lane Area Residents

Association

Old Woking Community Association Old Woking Village Association

Pyrford Action Group RydensWay Action Group

SandyWay Residents Association Sheerwater Neighbourhood Watch

Sheets Heath Residents Association

St Johns Village Society Sutton Green Association Sutton Green Village Hall and

Association

Tenants RepresentativesWoking
The East Hill Residents Association

The Grove Area Ltd

The Ridge and Lytton Road Residents

Association

Westfield (Hoe Valley) Residents

Association

Westfield Common Residents

Association

Westfield Community Association Westfield Community Residents

Association

Woodlands Community Group

Wych Hill Way Residents Association

Religious organisations

All Saint's Church

Christian Clinic for Environmental

Medicine

First Church of Christ Scientist

Guildford Diocese Jehovah'sWitnesses New Life Church

Religious Society of Friends

St Edward Brotherhood

St Marks Church Westfield

St Mary's Church St. Peter's Convent

The Church of England Guildford

Diocesan Board Of Finance

The Salvation Army

Woking People of Faith

Schools, Colleges and educational organisations

Barnsbury Infant School Barnsbury Junior School Beaufort Community Primary School Broadmere Community Primary School

Brookwood Primary School

Byfleet Primary School
Education Funding Agency
Goldsworth Primary School

Hoefield County Middle School

Kingfield School Knaphill Lower School

Knaphill School

Local Education Officer

Maybury Infant School

New Monument School

Pyrford C of E (Aided) School

St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary

School

St John's Primary School

St Mary's C of E Primary School

St. John the Baptist R.C Secondary

School

The Bishop David Brown School

The Hermitage School

The Horsell Village School

The Marist Catholic Primary School

The Oaktree School

The Park School

The Winston Churchill School

West Byfleet Infant School

Westfield Primary School

Wishmore Cross School

Woking College

Woking High School

Woking Schools Confederation

Woking Youth Council

Sports and leisure organisations

Ambassadors Theatre Group

Arts Council forWoking

Link Leisure

SCPFA

Sport England South

Surrey County Playing Fields

Association

The Lawn Tennis Association

The Theatres Trust

Tourism South East

West Byfleet Golf Club

Woking Community Play Association

Woking Football Club

Woking Ramblers

Woking Sports Council

Transport providers and organisations

Arriva Southern Counties
Carlone Buses

Countryliner Fairoaks Airport Ltd Freight Transport Association Highways Agency

APPENDIX 2

	Name of respondent	Summary of representation	Officer's response
1	Mrs L. Sandford	Agree with the standards and hope they are going to be applied to development in West Byfleet centre.	Once the Parking Standards SPD is adopted, it will be a material consideration in planning decisions. In this regard, Officers and Councillors will have to take it into account in determining planning applications. Officers and Members will be briefed on the standards and their application.
2	Amec Foster Wheeler on behalf of National Grid	National Grid has no comments to make.	Noted.
3	Nick Alston (GVA) on behalf of Titanosaur Properties Limited	Welcomes the policy provision that states that on-site provision below the minimum standards will be considered within Woking Town Centre. However, in line with the Council's sustainable transport objectives and to account for the build to rent products the standards should go further by stating that provision below the minimum standards is expected for residential schemes in Woking Town Centre and that carfree residential development in Woking Town Centre is acceptable in principle, particularly in respect to build to rent schemes, where fully justified and evidenced with an application.	The Parking Standards SPD already allows scope for zero parking provision at the Town centre if that can be justified, and this is a reasonable approach for the Council to adopt. The Parking Standards are objective led, and its application will require balancing a set of objectives including control of congestion, highway safety and the efficient use of land. The minimum standards set out in the SPD strike a good balance between these competing objectives. The Council accepts that the Town Centre offers the best access to a range of services and facilities and is in close proximity to public transport nodes. The minimum parking standards takes that into consideration. The SPD recognises that there are instances that lesser parking provision would be acceptable if that can be justified by the specific locational characteristics of the development and the specific measures proposed to manage the travel needs of occupants of the development. Each proposal will therefore have to be considered on a case by case basis depending on the specific measures proposed to minimise car use to justify a lesser provision. Making the provision of

			lesser parking provision a requirement and an expectation as a policy principle will be unreasonable in this regard.
4	Alan Byrne on behalf of Historic England	No comments to make.	Noted.
5	Mark Craven on behalf of Brookwood and Bridley Neighbourhood Forum	Broadly supports the Parking standards. Concern that often two bedroom houses/flats will have more than one adult and consequently more than one car. Having one space for two bedroom dwellings may be sufficient in one-off developments, but unlikely to be sufficient for many two bedroom dwellings in close proximity. It should be made harder for properties with garages to convert to living accommodation. When garages are built, they should be of sufficient size to allow for modern SUV.	The Parking Standards broadly reflects car ownership across various sizes of bedrooms and house types. It is acknowledged that there will be instances where two bedroom houses/flats will have more than one adult and consequently more than one car. The parking standards are objective led to help amongst other things to influence a shift to sustainable modes, ensure highway safety and maximise the efficient use of land. The standards are set as minimum standards, so if a case can be made for more provision to be made than what is specified in the SPD, the Council will consider that. The SPD gives a minimum size for garages, which is adequate to accommodate modern cars.
6	Terry Dale on behalf of ASDA Stores Ltd	ASDA has undertaken an exercise to demonstrate that the application of a locational reduction factor to maximum retail car parking standards could lead to the under provision of car parking spaces; this in turn, could lead to road safety issues. Details of the exercise are in the representations and can be inspected.	The principle of having a locational reduction factor is reasonable. The reduction factor applies to the main centres which relatively offer the best access to a range of services and facilities. Whilst the Council notes the analysis carried out by ASDA and finds it helpful, it does not fully take into account the significant scope at the main centres to encourage walking, cycling and public transport to access day to day needs. The Parking Standards SPD does not sit in isolation. There are other measures the Council is undertaking to improve walking and cycling infrastructure across the borough. If a specific company or a specific proposal requires a different

			parking provision to the ones set out in the CDD, then
			parking provision to the ones set out in the SPD, then
			a case will have to be made for the Council to
			consider. It will be unreasonable for the Council to set
			out its parking standards on the basis of the specific
			needs of a particular company.
7	Prime Finance	West Byfleet Centre is a District Centre and the	The Council is aware of Prime Finance's proposal to
		second largest centre in Woking. It has a	redevelop part of the West Byfleet Centre. The
		primary role to serve the needs of Byfleet,	planning application is being determined on its own
		Pyrford, West Byfleet and its rural hinterland.	merits by the Local Planning Authority separate from
		The centre is identified to deliver high density	consideration of the Parking Standards SPD by the
		mixed-use development that is well designed	Council. In any case, it will be unreasonable to expect
		and integrated to enhance the local character.	the Council to set its parking standards based on the
		The West Byfleet Neighbourhood Plan sets out	specific needs of a single development proposal. West
		a vision for enhancing the areas character and	Byfleet centre is a District Centre with a relatively good
		supporting sustainable development through	range of services and facilities that are accessible by
		improved facilities and opportunities for local	public transport and easy reach by walking and
		employment. Prime Finance's redevelopment	cycling. However, it will be unreasonable to compare
		proposals at West Byfleet centre will play a key	West Byfleet District Centre with Woking Town Centre
		role in delivering this vision.	in the way that the representation does. Section 4.1 of
		The West Byfleet centre is in sustainable	the Parking Standards SPD makes this particular point
		location and benefits from high frequency bus	very clear by clarifying that zero parking would only be
		routes and a rail station in close proximity.	applicable in Woking Town Centre. Because of the
		The client has submitted a planning application	locational characteristics of the District Centre it is
		for a significant redevelopment at the centre	important that the parking standards and its
		which will deliver several economic, social and	application do not compromise highway safety. The
		environmental benefits.	provision of adequate parking to serve development is
		Paragraph 30 of the NPPF provides guidance	a key concern of residents in West Byfleet, and this is
		on the matters to take into account when	expressed in the West Byfleet Neighbourhood Plan.
		setting parking standards. It is implicit from	Policy BE6 of the West Byfleet Neighbourhood Plan
		national policy that less car parking will be	sets out parking standards for residential development
		necessary to deliver this.	which is broadly similar to the SPD. The
		Prime Finance welcomes the general approach	Neighbourhood Plan has been through Examination

of the Parking Standards, which establishes standards below average car ownership levels. However, in its current form, the parking standards specific to West Byfleet District Centre are considered to provide a burden to the redevelopment of the centre. Prime Finance application is predicated on the capacity of the basement, this being integral to ensure the development delivers the significant amount of new public amenity space to meet community aspirations. If the Parking Standards is to accord with national policy, West Byfleet District Centre should be accorded a similar level of flexibility to that proposed to be permitted in Woking Town centre, i.e. on line provision below the minimum standards.

Chapter 9 of the Council's Transport and Accessibility Topic Paper establishes that parking management is one tool that can be used to influence a shift in behaviour towards other forms of transport modes, particularly in areas with high public transport choice and accessibility. Prime Finance proposal includes measure to encourage sustainable travel and to encourage people not to use cars. In allowing flexibility for parking standards the SPD should recognise the mitigation measures in order to encourage a shift in travel behaviour.

and the Examiner has recommended that subject to its proposed modifications, the Plan should proceed to referendum. Once adopted the Neighbourhood Plan will form part of the Development Plan for the area and will be fully taken into account in planning decisions. It should be noted the Neighbourhood Plan proposes the provision of 2 car parking spaces for 2-3 bedroom property. The Neighbourhood Plan also specifies that the current level of off-road car parking available to shoppers and visitors in the Sheer House Complex redevelopment should not be reduced (Policy CE6). It is highlighted that 50% reduction of the standards is proposed for other uses other than residential. If a particular application or proposal requires a specific parking provision to be made based on specific locational characteristics and proposed measures to manage the travel needs of occupants, then a case has to be done for the Council to consider. This will have to be done on a case by case basis subject to the individual merits of the proposal.

The reference to paragraph 30 of the NPPF is noted. However, this should not be seen in isolation from the Government's overall policy on parking which is set out in paragraph 39. Paragraph 30 requires a balance of considerations that could justify reduced parking provision. It should not be read as meaning reduced parking provision is expected without the necessary measures to manage travel needs. The Government's direction of travel regarding parking provision is encapsulated in the following ministerial statement issued in March 2015 and post dates the NPPF: *This government is keen to ensure that there is adequate*

			parking provision both in new residential developments and around our town centres and high streets. The imposition of maximum parking standards under the last administration leads to blocked and congested streets and pavement parking. Arbitrary restricting new off-street parking spaces do not reduce car use. It just leads to parking misery. It is for this reason that the government abolished national maximum standards in 2011. The market is best placed to decide if additional parking spaces should be provided
8	Paula Carney	Broadly supports the principles underpinning the Parking Standards in relation to the Town Centre but request that it should go much further by removing altogether minimum standards for the Town Centre because of its close proximity to key services and facilities and sustainable transport modes. This will provide certainty to developers. The SPD should promote car clubs and use of public car parks and entering into agreements to not allow residential parking permits to be issued in the town centre other than for the disabled. The cycle parking standards should allow less cycle parking with smaller units. For example, studios and one bed flats should have a requirement of 1 space per unit.	Having minimum standards at the Town Centre is a reasonable principle to enable a balance to be struck between the competing parking objectives such as the need to maximise the efficient use of land and the protection of highway safety. The Parking Standards SPD allows flexibility and scope for zero parking provision at the Town Centre if it can be justified. In particular, any such proposal will have to demonstrate how the travel needs of occupiers of the development will be managed. A key essence of the parking standards is to provide certainty to developers about the level of parking provision to service development. It does so by recognising that there could be instances where lower or higher provision could be justified, and that flexibility is helpful. The policy context to the parking standards seeks to promote travel plans and sign posts to initiatives such as car clubs. Consideration of access to and the use of public transport is one of the key objectives of the Parking Standards and national policy.
9	Phil Stubbs on behalf of	The revised Parking Standards is overdue and	If the Council is minded to adopt the Parking

Knaphill Res Association

Residents

makes sense. The key is whether Planning Officers in evaluating a planning application will apply them. The record of the County's highways planning is poor. It is crucial that the local Planning Officers and Members of the planning committee challenge the county's advice where it is felt appropriate.

Section 3 makes reference to congestion and highlights a number of areas such as Knaphill and follows it with the statement 'the traffic impacts are considered unlikely to be sufficient enough to cause major disruption or require highway infrastructure improvement measures'. This section should be redrafted and the reference in italics deleted.

The parking standard for one bedroom flat (0.5) is inadequate. Because of house prices and lack of one bedroom houses many first time buyers, including couples are purchasing flats. The wording on visitor parking needs strengthening. 'If you have a block of flats or apartment comprising 6 or more units there should be a minimum requirement of 1 visitor parking space for every 3 units'.

If the Council is to continue with its policy of permitting the conversion of garages to habitable space then garages should be removed from the calculation for off-street parking provision. Any dwelling where garage conversion is requested the off street parking provision should meet the requirements of the standards in Table 3.

Standards SPD, it will have the status of a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), and will be a material consideration in all relevant planning applications. The County Council is the highway authority for the area and are consulted on planning applications when necessary. The Council has not had any significant concerns about the advice provided by the County Council, and will not hesitate to challenge any advice if it felt the advice needed clarification and/or further explanation. This will apply to any other advice sought by the Council.

The reference to the traffic impacts not likely to be sufficient to require highway infrastructure improvement measures will be amended to reflect current evidence. The up to date transport assessment identifies a number of traffic hotspots across the borough which will need appropriate measure of mitigation.

The parking standards reflect the number of cars available in a household per various sizes and types of homes. The 0.5 provision to support 1 bedroom flats strikes an appropriate average provision based on the available evidence. Nevertheless, the standards are minimum standards, and if a case can be made for higher provision for specific proposals because of their specific needs, the Council will consider. It is important to emphasise that the parking standards are objective led and Officers and Members will take the objectives into account when applying the standards to specific proposals to make sure that they are not undermined. It is necessary for the Council to have the flexibility to negotiate visitor parking taking into account the merits

			of each proposal than to be prescriptive on a threshold as suggested. Where it is justified, the approach to the parking standards allow scope for an appropriate visitor parking to be considered. This has been strengthened to provide further clarity. The Council will normally put a condition on a planning approval to prevent the conversion of a garage to a habitable room. It is acknowledged that there are some buildings pre 1960s without such conditions which could be converted under permitted development. Much more control can be exercised for future applications to convert garages to habitable rooms. The parking standards will be amended to highlight the need to impose a condition to prevent the conversion of garages to habitable rooms.
10	Peter Jones	The Altitude proposal for West Byfleet centre does not provide sufficient parking to serve the proposed development.	This is a matter that can best be dealt with as part of the consideration of the planning application.
11	Beata Ginn on behalf of Highways England	Have no comments.	Comment noted.
12	Councillor Kevin Davis	Consideration should be given to converting some grass verges to proper paved allocated parking. Where there are large developments of circa 25+ dwellings, the ratio could cause some problems if many of the dwellings are starter homes and have one to two bedrooms. There is a need for small dwellings across the borough, which will suit young growing families. For example, an estate of 100 houses of which 80 of them are a combination of flats and one/two bedrooms will have insufficient	The purpose of the Parking Standards SPD is to set appropriate parking provision to serve development. The Core Strategy and the Parking Standards SPD highlights the need for parking provision to be seen as an integral part of the overall design of development. The conversion of grass verges to provide off-site parking spaces is beyond the scope of the parking standards unless it is within the development site. Nevertheless, the suggestion will be passed on to the Parking Services Section of the Council to consider. The concern about the likelihood of a significant number of one/two bedrooms in major developments

spaces to allow those estates to grow satisfactorily. In instances such as this the ratio a ratio of visitor parking should be defined to ensure there is sufficient room to take the slack.

In developments of large site of circa 25+ dwellings, consideration should be given to providing some motorcycle parking provision with ground locks to assist security.

Where a place of worship has congregation, which is not local to the building, insufficient parking can cause significant problems to the surrounding road as many worshipers frequently park with little regard for local residents. Where new or replacement places of worship come forward, consideration should be given to the location that worshipers travel from. All places of worship should have a travel plan in a similar way as schools.

and the implications for insufficient level of parking provision is acknowledged. It will be difficult to be prescriptive about the appropriate level of parking for such instances. Nevertheless, the parking standards are set as minimum, and allow flexibility for such proposals to be considered on a case by case basis if it can be demonstrated that more parking is needed and its provision will not undermine the overall objectives of the parking standards.

The Council has a clear policy to request a travel plan for any development that generates significant amount of traffic, and this would apply to places of worship if the transport assessment to support the development demonstrates that it will generate significant traffic. The need to apply the requirements of the policy will be communicated to relevant Officers. The parking standards for places of worship relate parking provision to number of seats rather than where the people who will occupy the seats travel from. This approach is reasonable because it is realistic to expect that the catchment area of worshipers to any place of worship will be wider than the immediate vicinity.

The principle of making parking provision for motorbikes in major flatted developments in particular is reasonable. Motorbikes are owned by a significant minority of the population and as such setting a minimum threshold that is enforceable and defensible is often difficult. Nevertheless, it is important that the Parking Standards SPD should recognise the need and encourage provision on a case by case basis. The SPD has been amended to highlight that. Officers will also begin to gather empirical data to assess whether

13	Clark Gordon	No comments to make.	a minimum threshold can be justified in any future review of the SPD and/or used to support planning application decisions. Noted
14	Marianne Meinke	The Guidance Note on Travel Plans should be complete rather than signposting to various links and documents. The policy and Travel Plans should include a comprehensive summary of how neighbours will be protected. For example: • Retails parks are lit with little thought on the impacts on neighbours; • How will pollution be monitored for the sites to which cars are sent; • In what way will plans be monitored to ensure everyone's health is considered and that coaches are modern, not diesel and that drivers turn off engines whilst waiting for passengers; • How will the Council ensure that Councillors will not at a whim protect schools with which they have a relationship and move traffic problems further along; • How will WBC ensure all pedestrians are kept safe; • Will Travel Plans take into account fatalities and other accidents in the area to which traffic is redirected; • To protect neighbours, will the window for use of sites such as retail parks be	The representation makes a number of helpful comments. However, they relate to travel plans and other matters that are beyond the scope of the Parking Standards SPD and can best addressed by other sections of the Council and/or the County Council. Officers will liaise with the County Council and across other sections of the Council to explore these concerns could be addressed.

		and not less. There is nothing in the SPD or travel plans which set standards for the age and quality of vehicles to be used. Many are smelly. The selection of contractors is done on cost and health too should matter. Consultation on planning applications is not fair or reasonable. A number of planning enforcement matters is raised and the details are set out in the representation and can be inspected.	
16	Sarah Price	The Parking Standards states: in Woking Town centre, where fully justified and evidenced within an application, on site parking provision below the minimum standards set out below will be considered. Would the Council be able to give some indication as to what percentage decrease to the minimum standards could possibly be accepted for a development within 1 km from Woking station? Cycle provision has doubled since in the revised SPD. Would the new provision apply to flats or just family homes?	It will be unhelpful to speculate what the level of reduction of the standards would be for proposals within I km from the station. It would depend on a number of factors, some of which will be difficult to pre-determine. It will for the applicant to make the case taken into account the specific locational characteristics and any measures proposed to manage the travel needs of the occupiers of the development. The cycle parking standards do not draw a distinction between flats and houses. The standards apply to both.
17	Mrs Carla Wright on behalf of Natural England	SPD does not relate to area of interest and do not wish to comment.	Comment noted.
18	Ziyad Thomas on behalf of McCarthy and Stone	Commends the SPD for the manner it acknowledges the difference in the parking needs of general housing and specialist accommodation. The requirement for I space per unit would constitute overprovision of parking provision.	The parking standards set for the elderly has been done in the context of Policy CS13: Older people and vulnerable groups of the Core Strategy. In this regard, it is proposed that the title of this section of the SPD should be 'Accessible parking' to also include other vulnerable groups. Broadly speaking many people

		Retirement Living (Category 11 sheltered housing) has been defined as 'grouped flatlets to meet the needs of the less active elderly people' although residents are no so frail as to be wholly inactive. A significant proportion of residents give up car ownership before they enter this form of housing. Reduction in car ownership is exacerbated for residents in extra care accommodation which is specialist older persons accommodation aimed at the frail elderly of about an average age of 83 years. The parking requirement will make it difficult to deliver these products in the most sustainable locations. The approved South Gloucestershire Council Residential Parking Standards is an example to consider.	would want to live in their own accommodations as long as possible. Other does so by having a live in carer. There are a variety of needs within this category of provision and on average the proposed threshold are set at a reasonable level. The SPD allow scope for a case to be made and the Council to consider if it can be demonstrated that lower standards are necessary for a particular scheme.
19	Peter Badger	This representation draws attention to an incomplete sentence in the SPD.	Comment already addressed to the satisfaction of Mr. Badger.
20	Becky Wilson on behalf of Surrey County Council	The SPD specifies that the design of cycle parking should allow for a cycle to be parked either side and both wheels to be easily locked to the stand such the Sheffield A frame or CaMden type stands. It should also specify 'not using styles of cycle stand that hold a wheel. Sheffield stands are the most inclusive to be suggested. It is not clear whether the area specified for minimum parking spaces is based on the area of the building or the area of the land. Clarification will be helpful.	The suggested additional wording is reasonable and the SPD will be modified to reflect that. The standards apply to the floor areas of the buildings for the various uses. This will be made clear in the SPD.
21	Katrina Warne	The Heathrow coach connection from Woking Rail station used to be every 30 minutes. It is	The representation is helpful to note but is outside the scope of the Parking Standards SPD. The issues will

		now every hour. It might help to go back to a frequent service. The cost of public transport is prohibitive.	be raised with the coach company.
22	Mark Draisey	The reference that there is no need for improvements to the A320 and Six Crossroads despite expansion of housing in the area is cavalier and deliberately false. The strategy is a piecemeal assortment of rules individually supporting a masterplan of reducing car use but not joined up in any meaningful way. For example, the Council wants to increase use of public transport but is making it harder to get to the Station. Small shops need short term parking for drop offs and pick ups of purchases. Potential stop off points should not all be filled with planters. Traffic lights are phased in the most bizarre ways to stop cars at every junction. The principle should be to route cars through the recognised main routes as swiftly as practicable, only allowing site roads to join the main flow at extended intervals and providing short term stopping in those areas. Bus stopover parking is a total abuse of scarce space. Object to any action which seeks to punish/penalise Woking citizens in order to drum them into line with the Council's thinking.	Concern about reference to improvements to the A320 and Six Crossroads has already been addressed as part of the Officer's response to another representation. The SPD has been modified to take into account up to date information. The Council notes the importance of an integrated approach to managing the transport implications of development, and strives to achieve that. Nevertheless, the concerns about traffic management are beyond the scope of the SPD. The Council already has robust policies to make sure that appropriate arrangements are made for servicing and deliveries for commercial development. An example of such policies is Policy DM16 of the Development Management Policies DPD. The objective to minimise car use and reduce congestion is a clear transport policy at both national and local levels. Parking provision plays a role in achieving this objective but is one of many strategies and projects coordinated to help achieve this goal. This includes improvements to rail, road, walking and cycling infrastructure.
23	Jeannie Ley	Wish to know whether there was any Council decision about parking at Oakcroft Road on 22 March.	This is a development management matter. The information will be sought and sent to Jeannie Ley as requested.
24	Bob Tilley	Before finalising the draft SPD it is strongly recommended that Officers and Councillors	Officers have read the article as requested and Members attention is drawn to it. The article is about

25	Bill Pugh	read an article about parking policy, Aparkalypser now on page 14 of the Economist dated April 8 – 14 2017. If the Council took time to explain in plain	how parking is managed in various cities and states across the world, including places such as Chicago, Boston and Minnesota. Copies of the article can be obtained on request. The comments are noted. Officers will continue to
		English what it is doing at Martyrs Lane people would be able to comment on it.	seek improvements on how it prepares and communicates its policies in consultation documents.
26	Pauline Marshall	The question of next door properties and access to the rest of properties by fire engine etc. must be considered when dealing with planning applications. Conversion of garages to residential accommodation should be restricted as they lead to loss of secured accommodation for cycles etc. Garages should be large enough to fit a modern vehicle. A house with 2+ bedrooms will probably have more than two cars. There should be disable parking spaces outside chemist shops and similar places. Shops out the main town area should provide parking outside or in nearby car parl. If people can park at where their vehicles will not be stolen or damaged they will possibly use other modes of transport. There is the need to make pavements and crossing the road safer for all people and children using them.	The concern about next door properties is a development management issue, and the attention of the relevant Officers will be drawn to that. Similarly, the comment about the need to make pavements and crossings safer will be passed to the relevant Officers. In response to another representation, Officers are recommending a modification to the SPD to impose a condition to restrict the conversion of garages to habitable rooms. The SPD specifies the minimum size of a garage, which is adequate to accommodate a modern car. The parking standards reflect the number of cars per household for various sizes and types of dwellings. The specified average of 1 dwelling for a two bedroom house or flat is based on the available evidence on car ownership and is adequate. It is accepted that there will be instances where occupants of a two bedroom house/flat might have two cars. If the locational characteristics and the individual merits of the proposal can justify more parking provision, the SPD allow flexibility for the Council to consider, taking into account the objectives of the parking standards. Section 4.4 of the SPD deals with disabled parking. The specified standards for business premises make provision for additional parking bays to serve others

	other than disable employees.	
	The security of off-site parking provision is beyond the scope of the SPD. The comment will be passed to the	
	relevant Officers of the Council to consider.	