

AMENDMENTS TO THE SCI MADE POST CONSULTATION BY OFFICERS

Forum	Section	Comment received	Suggested amendment to consultation draft
Joint Leadership Team, (07.01.13).	Throughout document	Reference should be made to staff, (not Officers), and Councillors, (not Elected Members).	The references have been changed throughout the document as recommended.
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.3	Within the context of the SCI we have noted that helping the Councils to develop quality services is a reason for developing the SCI whereas, in essence, it is a statutory requirement.	The following text has been deleted: <i>This is one of the reasons why Elected Members and Officers have developed this 'Statement of Community Involvement' for their planning service.</i>
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.4	It is no longer our 'intention' to produce a SCI. The wording is not appropriate for the 'adopted' version of the document.	Paras. 3 & 4 have been deleted. Para. 5 has been amended to read: <i>The provisions of this SCI are intended to be applicable across both Local Planning Authority areas. It is reflective of the newly aligned processes and procedures in place for plan-making and planning application assessment that are being put into place as the planning services of Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury are becoming increasingly shared.</i>
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.6	Delete the phrase 'moving forward'.	'Moving forward' has been deleted.

APPENDIX C

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JLT, (07.01.13).	p.13	Simplify term 'holistic blueprint'.	The term holistic blueprint has been replaced with the word 'scheme'.
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.13	Sub-heading 'other policy documents' is superfluous.	Sub-heading deleted.
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.15	Delete 'are increasingly significant activities in local government'.	Revised text to read: Consultation and community engagement, in order for them to be effective, need to be approached in a systematic manner.
JLT, (07.01.13).	P.15	Reference to the Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Service, (Norfolk & Suffolk), should be included	Reference has been made to the Gypsy & Traveller Liaison Service, (Norfolk & Suffolk).
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.16	'Where appropriate' is too weak. The Councils will make use of social media.	The words 'where appropriate' have been removed. The text has been revised to read as follows: <i>We will make use of other forms of social media to encourage interactions/debate among groups of people and share/exchange information and ideas within virtual communities and networks.</i>
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.19	Delete 'shared service'.	'Shared service' deleted.
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.19	Define 'standards', (consultation on planning applications?).	Revised text to read: '....standards, that again we believe go well beyond our minimum requirements, as they relate to the administering and assessment of the planning applications that we receive and includes consultation arrangements.

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JLT, (07.01.13).	p.23	Why is there a difference between the authorities in terms of advertising tree applications and when is this likely to change?	Revised text: 'Despite some ' <u>historic</u> ' differences, a consistent approach is <u>soon</u> to be adopted.....'
JLT, (07.01.13).	p.24	Push online interaction with the Council rather than 'personal callers'.	<p>Comment received previously and we emphasised our capability for the public to view planning documents online as a consequence. However, there remains a requirement to make hard-copies of planning documents available for inspection at Council Offices and as a consequence personal visits will be inevitable.</p> <p>In terms of the 'Access to Planning Officers' section, it is agreed that reference to 'personal visits' could be removed. The text has been revised as follows: <i>'In the first instance, contact with planning staff should be made via telephone, letters or e-mail, whereby a personal meeting can be arranged if it is deemed necessary'.</i></p>
JLT, (07.01.13).	P.26	Push online interaction with Officers as opposed to written comments on applications.	Revised text: 'These can be made in writing to the appropriate member of the planning staff and we would prefer that they are sent via e-mail rather than the post'.
JLT, (07.01.13).	P.33	Remove reference to Haverhill house as hardcopy Local Plans/planning application documents are	Delete reference to Haverhill House.

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		no longer located here for inspection, (comment made by Head of Policy, Communications and Customers).	