



Bath & North East Somerset Council

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

Bath & North East Somerset Local Development Framework

**Statement of Community Involvement
Adoption Statement**

In accordance with Regulation 24 (4) and Regulation 36 of the Town & Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, notice is given that Bath & North East Somerset Council will formally adopt its Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) on 11th October 2007.

The SCI is a formal statement of the Council's policy for involving interested parties in preparing Local Development Documents to be included in Bath & North East Somerset's Local Development Framework (LDF) and for consulting on planning applications. The preparation of documents in the LDF and consultation on planning applications will have to comply with the adopted SCI.

An independent inspector was appointed by the Government to examine the 'soundness' of the submitted SCI. The Inspector reported back to the Council on the 28th August 2007 setting out the binding changes to be made to the submitted SCI and confirming that the SCI was 'sound'. The Inspector's Report, copies of the Adopted SCI and copies of this Adoption Statement are available for inspection at the following Council offices:

- Trimbridge House, Trim Street, Bath, BA1 2DP;
- The Hollies, Midsomer Norton, Bath, BA3 2DP;
- Riverside, Temple Street, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 1LA

between the hours of 8.30 am to 5.00 pm Mondays-Thursdays and 8.30 am to 4.30 pm on Fridays.

These documents can also be viewed on the Bath & North East Somerset Council website www.bathnes.gov.uk and during library opening times, at all the public libraries within the District.

Copies of the SCI can be obtained free of charge by contacting the Planning Policy team (contact details below).

Any person aggrieved by the SCI may make an application to the High Court under section 113 of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. Any challenge pursuant to Section 113 must be made on the grounds that the document is not within the appropriate power or a procedural requirement has not be complied with. An application under Section 113 must be made no later than the end of the period of six weeks starting from 11th October 2007.

Any person aggrieved by the SCI may apply to the High Court for permission to apply for Judicial Review of the decision to adopt the statement. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than three months from 11th October 2007.

For further information about the SCI, please contact the Planning Policy Team on 01225 477548 or email planning_policy@bathnes.gov.uk

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