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Name and date of Committee	Economic & Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Thursday 8 April 2021
Report Number	Agenda Item No. 7
Subject	Affordable Housing Revised Draft SPD Consultation
Wards affected	All
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Summary/Purpose	To consider the revised draft Affordable Housing SPD and provide comment where necessary.
Annex	Revised Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
Recommendation	That the report be noted and a consultation response formulated.
Corporate priorities	The provision of new, high quality affordable homes is a key aspect of the West Oxfordshire Council Plan (2020 – 2024)
Key Decision	N/A
Exempt	No
Consultees/ Consultation	Consultation on an initial draft version of the SPD took place from 10 July – 21 August 2020. Taking account of the comments received the revised draft SPD has been published for consultation from 5 March – 16 April 2021.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Economic and Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to consider any Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) that were out for consultation and provide comments as required.
- 1.2 The revised draft Affordable Housing SPD (attached as an annex to the report) provides detailed guidance to developers, local communities and other key stakeholders on the provision of affordable housing in West Oxfordshire, supporting and augmenting Policy H3 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031.
- 1.3 The SPD has been published for a 6-week period of public consultation from 5 March to 16 April 2021 and is available on the Council's website [Planning Policy - Supplementary Planning Documents](#)
- 1.4 Following collation of the consultation responses, a final version of the SPD will be prepared and submitted to Cabinet and Council for formal adoption in accordance with legislative requirements.

2. MAIN POINTS

- 2.1. The Committee is invited to consider the matter, and to agree comments/recommendations to enable these to be taken into account by Officers in preparing the final version of the SPD later in the year.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. None

5. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 5.1. Not applicable

6. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

- 6.1. Not applicable.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1. None