

Designing for Accessibility in Bracknell Forest Consultation representations and responses

Designing for Accessibility in Bracknell Forest was the subject of a public consultation in November and December 2005. This paper details feedback from the consultation process and highlights amendments that have been made to the document in light of comments received.

Organisation or name	Comment summary	Response and amendments incorporated in SPD
David Wilson Homes – Southern	Suggestion that in development over 100 dwellings a percentage of units available for wheelchair users should be specified	It is current policy that units are negotiated on larger developments where there is a demonstrable need for units suitable for occupation by wheelchair users. A sentence has been added in the Housing chapter to clarify this and to state this issue will be raised at the pre application stage of a planning application
Legal and General Assurance Society Ltd	Strong support for the fundamental ingredients of any large scale development to include social inclusion, high quality design and convenient access to essential services	Noted
Mr A Davies	Raised concerns relating to the use of disabled persons parking bays for people with temporary mobility difficulties, the need for a handrail at the Albert Road car park and how access is affected by wheelie bins blocking pavements on bin collection days	All issues related to access difficulties within existing development. The letter was copied to the appropriate service areas for a response and action
Reading Borough Council	Minor grammatical changes requested	Text amended as appropriate
South East England Regional Assembly (SEERA)	No detailed comments other than to remind the Borough Council that any DPDs should conform to the current Regional Spatial Strategy (RPG9) and the emerging Draft South East Plan (core regional policies)	Noted

Surrey Heath Borough Council	Commended on a detailed and informative draft SPD	Noted
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The draft SPD has now been amended and the document has been fully adopted. *Designing for Accessibility in Bracknell Forest* is available to view on the Borough Council's website. Copies of the document can be supplied upon request, please contact the Urban Design Officer on 01344 351146 or email development.plans@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

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