

Report To:	Planning Committee
Date of Meeting:	15 th March 2017
Lead Member / Officer:	Cllr. David Smith / Angela Loftus, Strategic Planning & Housing Manager
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Title:	Supplementary Planning Guidance: 'Planning for Community Safety' – Adoption of final document

1. What is the report about?

- 1.1 This report relates to the draft Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) document on 'Planning for Community Safety'.

2. What is the reason for making this report?

- 2.1 To provide feedback on the responses from the public consultation on the draft SPG 'Planning for Community Safety', the proposed amendments to the SPG, and to seek adoption for use in the determination of planning applications.

3. What are the Recommendations?

- 3.1 That Members adopt the proposed SPG, attached as Appendix 2, for use in the determination of planning applications and planning appeals.

4. Report details

- 4.1 If adopted, this SPG will become one of a series of SPG documents which amplify the Denbighshire Local Development Plan (LDP) policies. The SPG provides guidance to developers, Officers and Members on how improving community safety and decreasing the fear of crime can be addressed through design and landscaping.
- 4.2 The public consultation ran for 8 weeks from 3rd October until 28th November 2016. A report of the consultation, outlining the responses received and proposed amendments to the SPG, is attached as Appendix 1. Seven responses were received during the consultation period. The SPG, showing the proposed amendments as ~~strikethrough~~ and **highlight** is attached as Appendix 2.

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

- 5.1 The SPG does not directly contribute to the corporate priorities but by ensuring the development of safe and attractive environments, will indirectly contribute to

improving the public realm, the local economy and the provision of good quality housing.

6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

6.1 This report is a report on consultation undertaken and proposed amendments to the SPG. It is not anticipated to create any additional costs.

6.2 Once adopted, the SPG will be of benefit for Officers and Members in the determination of planning applications.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Well-being Impact Assessment? The completed Well-being Impact Assessment report can be downloaded from the [website](#) and should be attached as an appendix to the report

7.1 The Well-being Impact Assessment concludes that, on balance, adoption of the SPG will have a positive impact on well-being in Denbighshire through the creation of safe, attractive and well-used developments. The Well-being Impact Assessment report is attached to this report.

8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

8.1 The draft SPG has been subject to an eight-week public consultation. Internal consultation has been carried out with the Development Management team. Informal consultation has also been carried out with North Wales police. Member input on the content of the draft SPG, and consultation responses received, has also previously been provided through the LDP Member Steering Group.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

9.1 Any costs associated with the guidance should be contained within existing budgets and therefore there are no obvious financial implications contained in the report.

10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

10.1 In the absence of detailed guidance there is a risk the Council will be unable to effectively operate the LDP policies with regard to ensuring developments are designed to take account of community safety and crime prevention.

11. Power to make the Decision

11.1 Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act (2004).