

Committee(s):	Date(s):	Item no.
Barbican Residential Consultation Committee	12 th March 2012	4
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Planning and Transportation Committee	24 th April 2012	
Subject: Barbican Estate Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volumes I and II		Public
Report of: The City Planning Officer		For Discussion
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Summary</u></p> <p>The Barbican Estate Listed Building Management Guidelines were adopted in May 2005. A planned review of the Guidelines has been carried out.</p> <p>Members are asked to agree the draft Barbican Estate Listed Building Management Guidelines SPD, Volumes I and II and agree to a formal public consultation exercise being carried out, prior to its adoption as a Supplementary Planning Document.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members approve the draft text of the Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volumes I and II, appended as Annex A to this report and agree that the document be published for formal public consultation in May 2012. 		

Main Report

Background

1. In May 2005, the Barbican Estate Listed Building Management Guidelines Supplementary Planning Guidance was adopted by Planning and Transportation Committee. This is a material consideration in the assessment of applications for planning and listed building consent on the residential part of the Barbican Estate.
2. Volume I, Section 12, set out the procedure for the review of the Management Guidelines. Paragraph 12.6 states 'There will be a full review of each Volume, 5 years after its completion. The Corporation of London will ask all those that sat on the original working parties to be involved in this review. If substantial changes are proposed, views on the changes will be sought through consultation.'
3. The five year review of the document began in 2010 with the reconvention of the original Working Party. Avanti Architects, the consultants for the Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines, were retained to assist the process.
4. 7 Working Party meetings have taken place during 2011 to review and discuss possible changes to the Guidelines.
5. There are numerous textual changes throughout Volumes I and II to provide greater clarity. The significant content changes are in Volume I: addition of list description for the registered Park and Garden; updated contacts list; changes to reflect the introduction of PPS5; changes to reflect the adoption of the Local Development Framework Core Strategy; new sustainability and climate change policy; revised review procedure.

Current Position

6. The Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines comprises two volumes. Volume 1 covers the entire Barbican Estate, and deals with the background to the development of the management guidelines, the legislative framework, stakeholder responsibilities, and procedural issues. Volume II relates to the residential buildings of the Estate, considers their architectural significance, and provides Management Guidelines relating to specific elements of the buildings, and guiding how change to these elements should be managed.

7. The reviewed document is proposed as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) to the LDF Core Strategy. SPDs must be prepared in accordance with procedures set out in relevant regulations and public consultation must be carried out in accordance with the City's Statement of Community Involvement, adopted in 2009.
8. It is proposed that the Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volumes I and II should be the subject of formal public consultation in May 2012 to take advantage of new Regulations.
9. At the end of the formal consultation period I will report on the responses received and any amendment to the SPD as a result, to your Committee for adoption.

Financial and Risk Implications

10. There are no financial or risk implications arising from the proposed consultation process. Formal consultation for the Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines will take place in May 2012 concurrently with consultation on Conservation Area Character Summary SPDs. This will deliver cost and efficiency savings over separate consultation on each SPD.

Legal Implications

11. There are no legal implications in this report.

Strategic Implications

12. The draft SPD supports Policy CS12 of the LDF Core Strategy, which seeks to safeguard 'the City's listed buildings and their settings, while allowing appropriate adaptation and new uses.'
13. The Community Strategy: The City's Together Strategy contains five key themes. The theme relevant to the Barbican Estate is to 'protect, promote and enhance our environment', including the built environment of the City and its public realm.
14. The Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volumes I and II supports the Strategic aims of the Departmental Business Plan, relating to the sustainable design of the streets and spaces and the protection and enhancement of the City's built environment. These aims are met by promoting the protection and enhancement of the Barbican Estate.

15. An Equality Impact Assessment was carried out and no equality issues were identified.
16. A Sustainability Appraisal Screening has been carried out and this indicates that the SPD will not have significant environmental impacts beyond the site. Therefore a full Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) will not be necessary. This finding is subject to the approval of the Environment Agency, English Heritage and Natural England.

Consultees

15. The Town Clerk, Comptroller & City Solicitor, City Surveyor, Director of Open Spaces and the Department of Community and Children's Services have been consulted on this report and their comments have been incorporated.

Conclusion

16. Members are recommended to agree the draft text of the Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines SPD, Volumes I and II and agree to the draft Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines SPD, Volumes I and II being subject to formal public consultation in May 2012.

Background papers

Annex A

Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volume I

Annex B

Barbican Listed Building Management Guidelines Draft SPD, Volume II

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