

Committee(s) Planning and Transportation – For Decision	Dated: 20/02/2018
Subject: Freight and Servicing Supplementary Planning Document – Updates and Adoption	Public
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<p>Summary</p> <p>This report presents further revisions to the Freight and Servicing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) following member comments at the Planning and Transportation Committee on 9 January 2018.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>Members are asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approve the amendments to the SPD • approve the document for adoption. 	

Main Report

Background

1. Following public consultation on the draft Freight and Servicing SPD in late summer 2017, the document was updated and presented to the Planning and Transportation Committee on 9 January 2018.
2. Members made additional comments on the revised document, which has now been updated.

Updated Document and Ready Reckoner

3. The SPD has been updated to take account of Member comments at committee on 9 January. In particular the references to river servicing and out of hours loading have been strengthened. A summary of the changes to the document is attached as Appendix 1. The updated SPD is attached as Appendix 2.
4. In addition to changes to the SPD, a spreadsheet based Loading Bay ‘ready reckoner’ has been produced. This will allow prospective developers to estimate the likely requirement for internal loading and servicing bays. The spreadsheet is advisory, and aims to inform discussions with the City Corporation on what will ultimately be required.
5. The spreadsheet also encourages developers to take steps to manage deliveries and servicing by demonstrating the possible impact of management measures on loading bay requirements. The spreadsheet is attached as Appendix 3, and will be uploaded to the Design Guidance section of the City Corporation website.

Proposals

6. It is proposed that, subject to comments received from the Planning and Transportation Committee, the revised Freight and Servicing SPD is adopted and published.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

7. The SPD provides further guidance on the implementation of policies in the City of London Local Plan. It supports other policies and SPDs adopted by the City Corporation, but as neither the Local Plan nor the London Plan set out policies of mandatory freight consolidation, the SPD cannot introduce a requirement to use consolidation.
8. The SPD aligns with the Mayor of London's policies on the management of freight, as set out in the draft Mayor's Transport Strategy. It also supports Key Policy Priority 3 of the Corporate Plan; "Engaging with London and national government on key issues of concern to our communities such as transport, housing and public health".

Health Implications

9. The SPD will contribute to improved air quality and reduced road danger in the City, providing potential health benefits for the City population.

Conclusion

10. The Freight and Servicing SPD provides additional guidance on Local Plan policies on delivering to, and servicing of new development in the City. The document aims to reduce the negative impact on the City of freight and servicing traffic, while allowing the City to flourish.
11. Subject to approval from the Planning and Transportation Committee, the SPD and Ready Reckoner will be adopted, made available on the City Corporation website and promoted to developers and planning consultants.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Summary of Changes
- Appendix 2 – Updated SPD
- Appendix 3 – Loading Bay Ready Reckoner

Background Papers

- Report to Planning and Transportation Committee - Freight and Servicing Supplementary Planning Document – Draft for Consultation – 24/7/17
- Report to Planning and Transportation Committee - Freight and Servicing Supplementary Planning Document – Consultation and Adoption – 9/1/18

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