

Planning Obligations

Comment No.	Consultee	Document section	Comment	Officer Response
1.	Sport England		<p>Thank you for consulting Sport England on the East Staffordshire Planning Obligations SPD consultation document.</p> <p>In reviewing the document Sport England wishes to make no comment.</p>	Noted
2.	Historic England		<p>There is no reference within the document to the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting or the relevant Local Plan policies. Historic England are keen to ensure that harm to heritage assets is prevented as far as possible in line with Local Plan policies and the NPPF, as heritage is an 'irreplaceable resource'. However, there may be opportunities for development to positively contribute to enhancing the historic environment, for example heritage at risk. Where a development may be unacceptable in heritage terms but a genuine planning obligation could overcome this harm and have a positive effect then we would want the opportunity for heritage to be considered as a planning obligation.</p> <p>We would be conscious as to how this is conveyed in the document, as in the first instance harm should be avoided.</p>	<p>This SPD does not introduce new obligations or policies, but lists all potential requirements in one document to assist applicants. Where further detail is found in other guidance or documents, these are signposted.</p>

3.	Croxden Parish Council		The 106 guidance indicates “Community priorities On major applications On a case by case basis See Neighbourhood Plans, many of which have identified specific infrastructure projects “ – think we assume this includes local plans such as one that might apply to a parish council	Yes, that is correct
4.	Natural England		<p>Natural England welcomes the Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document which clearly sets out the potential requirements for applicants. In particular we welcome the references to the requirements for open space, The National Forest planting and Cannock Chase SAC.</p> <p>Strategic Environmental Assessment/Habitats Regulations Assessment</p> <p>A SPD requires a Strategic Environmental Assessment only in exceptional circumstances as set out in the Planning Practice Guidance here. While SPDs are unlikely to give rise to likely significant effects on European Sites, they should be considered as a plan under the Habitats Regulations in the same way as any other plan or project. If your SPD requires a Strategic Environmental Assessment or Habitats Regulation Assessment, you are required to consult us at certain stages as set out in the Planning Practice Guidance.</p>	This SPD does not introduce new obligations or policies, but lists all potential requirements in one document to assist applicants. Where further detail is found in other guidance or documents, these are signposted.