

Appendix B, The Town and Country Planning (Local Development)(England) Regulations 2004

SCHEDULE OF RESPONSES TO WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL'S SUBMISSION STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI)

Explanatory notes

Para No. – The paragraph in the SCI to which the comment applies , if relevant.

Source – The source of the comment received, together with the method by which the representation was made

Issue raised – Detailed description of the representation.

Officer response – Comments made by Council planning officers in their responses

Change in SCI recommended – action taken in response to representations

Par. No.	Source	Issue raised	Officer response	Change in SCI
	English Partnerships	No further comments.	Noted	No change to text required
	The Countryside Agency	Document is "sound", no further comments.	Noted and welcomed	No change to text required
	British Waterways London	No objection.	Noted and welcomed	No change to text required
52	Westminster Senior Citizens Forum/Westminster Older Peoples Network	The SCI is unsound in that it contains no provision for consultation of older people themselves. The 'WSCF' needs to be added as an example in Sec.52 (The 'WOPN' referred to in Sec.51 is a network of service providers not older people). Inclusion of 'WSCF' was promised in the schedule of responses to the draft SCI but not implemented in the submission stage version.	Noted. Accept comment	Add 'WSCF' to paragraph 52
	Metropolitan Police Service	No further comments.	Noted and welcomed	None required
	English Heritage	No further comments. However we suggest that there may be an inaccuracy on page 26, where the superscript has been used in relation to Listed Building Consent.	Noted	Delete "4" from text and check position of all other footnotes in document
18, 26, & 41	Government Office for London	Par.18 – substitute "Local Plan Document" with "Local Development Document". Par.26, penultimate sentence – Just to clarify that where an oral hearing is necessary it is expected that the examination process takes the form of a round table discussion.	Agree Agree	Change text in paragraph 18 to read " Local Development Document" In paragraph 26 clarify that the EIP would be in the form of a Round Table discussion.

	CGMS Consulting (on behalf of) Royal Mail	No specific comments.	Noted and welcomed	No change required
	Thames Water	Reiterate importance of consulting Thames Water on all documents in LDF and most major planning applications.	Noted	No change required
	TfL	Satisfied, no further comments.	Noted and welcomed	No change required
Apndx.1 – other consultees	Grosvenor Limited	We consider that both “major landowners and developers” and “WPOA” should be added to the list of other consultees. Both of these groups have an important role in terms of guiding changes to land and building uses and informing the planning consultation process.	Agree to add landowners and developers to list of other consultees in Appendix 1. WPOA is already mentioned in para 52 and so it is not considered necessary to detail this body in Appendix 1.	Add “ major landowners and developers” to end of Appendix 1 and refer also in this Appendix to paragraph 52 where key organisations in Westminster are also listed, including WPOA
58	St. George’s Square Pimlico Residents’ Association	We hope that in the matter of its own planning applications (or applications made on its behalf) the City Council intends itself to act as it asks others. If so then the SCI should specifically state this. We therefore suggest insertion of the following text, to form a new and final sub-paragraph in Section 58 (Chapter 3, page 24): “The City Council is itself frequently a ‘developer’, in one or more of its many roles, eg as land and property owner, service provider and local education authority. Accordingly, we ourselves will similarly involve the local community from an early stage in the evolution of individual council proposals expected to lead eventually to planning applications. We anticipate similar mutual benefit to that outlined above.”	Comment noted. Agree that Council should follow principles set out in SCI when acting as a developer.	Add text at the end of paragraph 58 to read “The City Council is itself frequently a ‘developer’ in one or more of its many roles. Wherever possible, we will similarly seek to involve the local community from an early stage in the evolution of our larger proposals.”
	The Westminster Amenity Societies Forum	Acknowledge receipt of submission documents, and would welcome informal discussion about role of WASF, as part of consultation strategy for LDF.	Discussions taking place with chairman of WASF	No change in text required to document