



Public Consultation on three draft SPDs (April & May 2026)  
**Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004**  
**Regulation 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England)**  
**Regulations 2012**

Dartford Borough Council is consulting on three draft Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs):

- *Draft Guidance for the Planning of Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Supplementary Planning Document*
- *Draft Darent Riverside and Flood Management Supplementary Planning Document*
- *Draft Settlements and Sustainable Locations Supplementary Planning Document*

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) add useful specific guidance for the consideration of planning applications. They help apply particular Local Plan objectives and policies.

The Council confirmed its intent to produce SPDs to support delivery of the 2024 adopted Local Plan in the 2025 Dartford Local Development Scheme. Evidence gathering to inform the drafts for formal public consultation included considering feedback on current strategy/ planning documents (and related documents) and by collecting factual data.

**Where to see the documents:**

The proposed SPDs and further information are available online at:

[Supplementary planning documents – Dartford Borough Council](#)

Hard copy SPDs are available for public inspection at:

- Civic Centre, Home Gardens, Dartford: 8:45 AM to 5:15 PM Monday to Thursday and 8:45 AM to 4:45 PM on Friday;
- Dartford Library, Central Park, Dartford: 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM Thursday, 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM Friday and 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday
- Longfield Library, 49 Main Road, Longfield: 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM Tuesday and Friday, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Wednesday and Thursday and 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Saturday;

**When to comment:**

The consultation period to comment on the draft SPDs is:

- *Monday, April 27, 2026 until*
- *Wednesday, May 27 2026*

**How to comment:**

Comments should be received at the Council by 27 May in writing. You can respond via:

- Online: [You can provide your thoughts by visiting the consultation website.](#)
- Email: [localplan@dartford.gov.uk](mailto:localplan@dartford.gov.uk) (at least one email per SPD please, clearly titled).
- Post; DBC Planning, Civic Centre Floor C, Home Gardens, Dartford, DA1 1DR

For queries: email, or call Planning Services at the Council on 01322 343213.