



STATUTORY NOTICE

ADOPTION STATEMENT (October 2023)

FOR DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

COUNTY DURHAM PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012

Regulation 14 – Adoption of Supplementary Planning Documents

The County Durham Parking and Accessibility Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) was adopted by the County Council and came into effect on 9th October 2023. The appendix to this statement sets out the modifications made to the SPD on account of representations received during consultation and other relevant matters.

The SPD document provides guidance for parking and accessibility and how they have been devised to help everyone understand how much parking space is required on development sites. They are designed to make sure there is enough parking at our homes and for our shops and employment locations. A higher provision of Electric Vehicle Charging Points will also be required at places of employment, supermarkets and other retail development. The guidance has also have been designed to encourage more use of sustainable modes of travel including walking, cycling and use of public transport.

Any person with sufficient interest in the decision to adopt the SPD may apply to the High Court for permission to apply for judicial review of that decision. Such an application must be made promptly, and in any event, no later than 3 months after the date on which the SPD was adopted.

The SPD, Adoption Statement and Consultation Statement, summarising the main issues raised during the formal consultation periods (and how these have been addressed), can be viewed on the Council's website at: www.durham.gov.uk/cdp.

Copies can also be available on request for 3 months following adoption at:

- County Hall, Durham County Council

- Customer Access Points (<http://www.durham.gov.uk/customeraccesspoints>)
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Schedule of changes to the County Durham Parking and Accessibility Supplementary Planning Document 2023

Page	Paragraph	Details	Reason for Change
	Throughout document	Amendments to clarify that this version of the SPD is the final adopted version of the document rather than the consultation version.	To improve clarity.
	Throughout document	Amendments throughout the document so that the SPD and the headings within it are referred to as guidelines rather than standards.	To improve clarity.
6	Para 2.5	when the 5% rule will be applied for disability bays in car parks to ensure there is a minimum of 2 accessible parking bays for disabled persons on all car parks between 20 and 40 spaces.	To improve clarity.
6	Para. 2.6	that parking spaces for those with disabilities should be closer to destination entrances and exits than general parking bays.	To improve clarity.
7	Para 2.8	regarding the minimum number of parking bays (10) that will also require an accessible EV charging bay.	To improve clarity.
10	Para. 3.6	aligning the SPD guidance and the building regulations (Part S) on the threshold for providing EV chargepoints at destinations car parks and specifically when they are required in supermarket car parks (see Table 1).	To improve clarity.
12	Table 2	a reduction in the number of spaces required on office developments which has been reduced from one space per 18m ² to one space per 25m ²	To improve clarity.
14-15	Table 4	In table 4, reduction in requirement of parking spaces for teaching staff at educational establishments.	To improve clarity.
16	Para 3.9	around encouraging CCTV for long and short stay cycle parking.	To improve clarity.
14-15	Throughout document	Various minor amendments around wording of tables, headers and footnotes to ensure consistency across the 4 destination parking tables.	To improve clarity.

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23	Paragraph 4.14	Amendment to footnote relating to minimum road widths which adds clarity on when a 4.8m road width will be acceptable.	To improve clarity.
24	Paragraph 4.18	added a cross reference in para 4.18 so it matches with section 3.9 on cycle parking security	To improve clarity.