

APPENDIX C:
Example of the SCI Web page (under Regulation 26)




Statement of Community Involvement


Background

The government has introduced a new development plans system which has a much greater emphasis on involving communities earlier and more fully than before.




The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is one of the first documents to be produced as part of the new **Local Development Framework** (LDF). It will provide certainty as to how and when you can be involved in the preparation of the LDF documents and how you can expect to be consulted on planning applications.

The programme for preparation and adoption of the Wigan SCI is set out in the Wigan **Local Development Scheme**. We started the preparation work for the SCI in April 2005 at which time a SCI project group was set up to inform its preparation. The thoughts and ideas of the project group have been fed directly into the production of the draft SCI and in May 2005, we set out our **intentions**  (65k) for the SCI.

A draft SCI has now been produced. Now is your opportunity to influence the content of the SCI before it is finalised for submission. We would like you to view the draft SCI and give us your comments on our proposed standards for community involvement set out in it. We value your comments on now the draft SCI can be improved and a comments form has been produced to assist you if you wish to respond.

The draft SCI will be available for public comment for six weeks from Friday 15 July 2005 to Friday 26 August 2005. For more detail see the **public notice**  (29k).

How to view and comment on this draft SCI

- Click **here** to view the draft SCI  (459k).
- You can either **download**  (34k) the form, complete it by hand and post it back to us or you can **complete the form online** and submit your comments to us.
- You can view the draft SCI and obtain the comments from all Wigan Borough libraries, Wigan and Leigh town hall and the Planning Office as listed in the **public notice**  (29k) above.
- You can contact the Planning Policy Team for a copy of the draft SCI and comments form at the address given below. There will be a £5.00 charge to cover the cost of this document. Alternatively you can email: **planningpolicy@wiganmbc.gov.uk**.

If you do not wish to comment online, please send your comments to:

Planning Policy Team
Planning and Regeneration Department
Civic Buildings
New Market Street
Wigan
WN1 1RP

Comments must be received by 5.00 pm on Friday 26 August 2005. Comments received after this time cannot be considered.

All comments received will be summarised in a report which will be made available to the public.

Requests for copies in large print or other languages

The draft SCI is available in large print and can be translated into the following languages:

Arabic	"بالإمكان توفير هذه المعلومات في اللغة العربية."
Cantonese	這些資料可提供中文譯本。
Farsi	این اطلاعات به زبان فارسی هم میتواند در دسترس شما قرار گیرد.
French	Disponible en francais sur demande
Gujurati	આ માહિતી ગુજરાતીમાં મળી શકે છે.
Urdu	یہ معلومات اُردو میں بھی دستیاب ہو سکتی ہیں۔

What happens next?

This draft SCI is the first draft for public consultation and may be revised in the light of comments received. Once revised, the final version will be published and submitted to the government towards the end of September 2005, prior to independent examination and adoption. There will be a further opportunity to comment at that time.

We hope you will take the time to consider how you want to be involved. If you would like us to add your contact details to our community engagement database so that we can keep you up to date with key stages in the LDF, please contact a member of the Planning Policy Team on 01942 404237, or write to us at the address given above.

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