

Eastleigh Borough Local Plan (2016-2036)

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- 4.43 The policy recognises the unique characteristics of the River Hamble and the Southampton Water whilst enabling the continuation of recreational and commercial uses traditionally associated with the river and that contribute to the local and sub-regional economy. The Council will seek to protect the coast and its inshore areas from development detrimental to their character.
- 4.44 The influence of the coast extends inland, although the extent of it can be difficult to define by means of a boundary. For the purposes of the Local Plan, on-shore areas relating to the coast are defined as areas adjoining the water, or related to the coast in visual, (including views of the coast from the water), landscape, biodiversity, heritage or functional terms.

Historic Environment

Relevant issues and objectives

Issues (Chapter 2): G1, G7

Objectives (Chapter 3): iv, v

Related local and national strategies/policies (see Appendix B)

Source	Reference/Title
Eastleigh Borough Council	Supplementary Planning Documents ²¹ : - Urban Character Area Appraisals - Conservation Area Appraisals
PfSH	Sustainability policy framework ²² , and Quality Places initiative which includes a Quality Places Charter and a Cultural Strategy ²³
Hampshire County Council	Historic Environment Record ²⁴
NPPF	Paragraphs 17, 126 – 141, 156 - 157

- 4.45 The NPPF defines 'heritage assets' as: "A building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. Heritage asset includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing)". They include:
- The conservation areas of Bishopstoke, Botley, Bursledon (Old Bursledon and Bursledon Windmill), West End (Gaters Mill, Romill Close and Orchards Way), Hamble-le-Rice and Netley, as shown on the policies map;
 - Listed buildings;
 - Locally listed buildings;

²¹ <http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/supplementaryplanningdocuments>

²² <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/development-and-planning-developing-push-sustainability-policy-framework.pdf>

²³ <https://www.push.gov.uk/work/cultural-creative-industries-and-the-built-environment/outcomes/>

²⁴ <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/historicenvironment/historicenvironmentrecord>

- Historic parks, gardens and landscapes;
- Scheduled monuments, nationally important ancient monuments and archaeological sites, and their settings;
- protected wreck sites; and
- Marine, rail and aviation heritage assets.

Strategic policy S8, Historic Environment

- The Borough Council will continue to conserve and/or enhance the Boroughs heritage assets in a manner appropriate to their significance. This includes all heritage assets including listed buildings and structures, Conservation Areas as designated on the policies map, landscapes and archaeology. This will be through the preparation of Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans and other strategies and in the determination of planning applications for new development (see policy DM12). This will involve:**
 - identifying the assets by means of an on-going programme of survey and review;**
 - identifying their key features and measures to manage and enhance these, e.g. through Conservation Area Appraisals;**
 - restricting development likely to harm them or their settings through management of development proposals; and**
 - encouraging development that enhances them, ensures their long-term management and maintenance and where possible, enables public enjoyment and the interpretation of the asset.**

- 4.46 In accordance with the NPPF, policy S8 sets out the strategic approach to conserving and enhancing the Borough's historic environment. This strategic approach does not affect the principle of development at the other site allocations in the Local Plan but may affect their layout and detailed design. Development proposals will be assessed against the detailed development management policy DM12. In addition, Chapter 6 includes site-specific requirements for heritage assets and their settings for development allocations. Policy BO7 sets out criteria for any future development at the Grade II listed Botley Mill and includes retaining the character and setting of the Mill.

Green infrastructure

- 4.47 Green infrastructure in the Borough includes a network of natural and semi-natural habitats, green spaces and features linked by green and blue corridors. Other evidence will explore more detailed aspects of green infrastructure relating to the Borough's landscape and biodiversity, and the Council's work on sport and recreation.

Relevant issues and objectives

Issues (Chapter 2): G3, G4, G5, G7, G8

Objectives (Chapter 3): i, ii, v, vii, viii

Related local and national strategies/policies (see Appendix B)

Source	Reference/Title
Eastleigh Borough Council	Biodiversity SPD ²⁵
	Biodiversity Action Plan 2012-2022
	Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2016)
	Sports Facility Needs Assessment and Playing Pitch Strategy Update 2017
	Open Space Needs Assessment 2017
	Play Strategy and Action Plan 2007-2017
PfSH	Green Infrastructure Strategy
	Solent Disturbance and Mitigation Study
Hampshire County Council	Countryside Access Plan for Hampshire Hamble River Harbour Authority Strategic Vision Strategic Plan and Management Plan
	Hampshire Integrated Character Assessment 2011
Hampshire Biodiversity Partnership/ Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre	Hampshire Biodiversity Action Plan Biodiversity Opportunity Areas
	Countryside Access Plan for Hampshire
Hampshire Wildlife Trust	A Vision for the Forest of Bere 2011
NPPF	Paragraphs 17, 74-75, 109-114, 117-119

Strategic policy S9, Green infrastructure

1. Through new development and other initiatives the Borough Council will seek to achieve the provision, retention and/or enhancement of the following forms of multi-functional green infrastructure, including provision of:
 - a. landscape scale strategic links across the Borough boundary, to and between the Borough's settlements, the countryside, the coast, and the major areas of open space including the country parks (see strategic policy S12);
 - b. interlinked publicly accessible open space through new and existing development including for example formal sports facilities and informal amenity spaces and cemeteries (see policies DM32-DM34, Chapter 5 and detailed proposals in Chapter 6);