

**Policy and Resources
Committee
27th September, 2006**

Agenda Item No
Public Report

'Design Requirements for Landscaping Residential Areas' SPG Update

Item for Decision:	To seek Committee approval to consult the public on the draft revised document
Contributors:	Chief Executive
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Financial Implications:	
Council Priorities:	ENV1
Recommendations:	It is RECOMMENDED that:- (a) the draft revised document be approved for public consultation; and (b) town and parish councils and a representative sample of local practicing architects and landscape architects be consulted on the draft document and the draft publicised on the Council's website.

1. Applicable Lead Member Area(s)

1.1 Environment

2. Crime and Disorder – Section 17 Implications

2.1 There are no crime and disorder implications associated with this report.

3. Introduction

3.1 Guidance for the landscaping of new residential areas was first published by the District Council in 1981.

3.2 A revised version was approved by the Council in 1990 and was included as supplementary planning guidance (SPG) to the East Dorset Local Plan adopted in 2002.

3.3 This edition has been updated to take into account legislative, administrative and technical changes, particularly in landscape and arboriculture practice and guidance since the document was first approved. The revisions do not affect the adopted policies contained in the Local Plan.

4. Appendices

4.1 Appendix 1 – Draft revised document.

5. Background Papers

5.1 None.