

Summary of Main Issues Raised During the Consultation on the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options and Draft Policies and Officer Response

The consultation on the latest draft of the Core Strategy took place between 29th February and 11th April 2012. The consultation was given wide publicity. In addition to consulting those registered on the Council's consultation database, a leaflet providing information on the consultation was circulated to all households with the Council Tax notifications and they were also circulated to businesses. There was a small item in Making Waves as well as the publicity on the web site and through press releases. In addition a static exhibition relating to the consultation was placed in the main reception and the three Locality Offices.

In total 1418 comments were received from a total of 281 respondents. All the representations that were received can be viewed at the online consultation portal at: www.waverley.gov.uk/consult.

Detailed summaries of comments received in relation to each chapter will also be available at on the website.

Set out in the table below is a summary of the main issues raised in the consultation, the response to these and a summary of the main changes proposed to the Core Strategy. As with earlier consultations, the chapter attracting most comments is the chapter relating to the number of new homes being planned for and their broad location. The chapter setting out the overall Spatial Strategy (i.e. the strategic policy on where development should go generally) attracted the second highest number of responses. This is not surprising given the overlap between the Spatial Strategy (Policy CS1) and the policy on housing numbers/location (Policy CS2).