

DRAFT PARKING STANDARDS SPD PUBLIC CONSULTATION 12TH AUGUST TO 7TH OCTOBER 2015

CONSULTATION INFORMATION

Milton Keynes Council is consulting on a new guidance document that sets out revised parking standards (ie how many parking spaces are required) for all types of new development. The parking standards will apply to the whole of the Milton Keynes area and, once adopted, will replace the current standards dating from 2005 and 2009.

Following the public consultation, the Council will adopt the new parking standards as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and they will be used when assessing planning applications for new development.

Key changes

There are a number of changes to the number of parking spaces that are required for a range of different development as well as changes to guidance on the design and layout of spaces.

Comments are welcome on all changes but your attention is drawn to two changes in particular:

- **Tandem parking:** In Section 4, Parking for Residential Uses, paragraph 4.16, there is now a presumption against tandem parking (or on-plot parking arrangements where the spaces are not independently accessible for example where one space is behind the other). Should a tandem layout be proposed then the guidance seeks an additional, convenient, on-street parking space at the rate of 1 space per every two dwellings that do not have independently accessible on-plot parking.

The presumption against tandem parking is a change from the current guidance in the Council's adopted Residential Design Guide SPD. We would particularly welcome your comments on the implications of this change.

- **Width of non-residential parking spaces:** In Section 7, Other Vehicle and Parking Layouts, a degree of flexibility for non-residential spaces in specific circumstances is proposed to be introduced to allow for some spaces to be a minimum of 2.3 metres wide, narrower than the expected width of 2.5 metres.

This a late change to the Consultation Draft SPD that was not included in the version that accompanied the Delegated Decision report.

How do I take part in the consultation?

The Draft Parking Standards SPD is out for consultation from Wednesday 12th August to 5pm on Wednesday 7th October 2015.

A copy of the Draft SPD is available on the Milton Keynes Council website at:
www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/parking-standards
www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/consultations

Paper copies of the Draft SPD are also available to read in the libraries across Milton Keynes.

Who do I send my comments to?

The Draft SPD has been prepared for Milton Keynes Council by consultants, the Project Centre and they will be receiving the comments in the first instance.

Comments can be made either by email or by post to the following address:

By email to: mkparkingstandards@projectcentre.co.uk

By post to: Project Centre
38 Foundry Street
Brighton
BN1 4AT

COMMENTS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY 5PM ON WEDNESDAY 7TH
OCTOBER, 2015.