STEELHOUSE CONSERVATION AREA CHARACTER APPRAISAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING POLICIES DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

CONSULTATION STATEMENT FEBRUARY 2007

PEOPLE CONSULTED ON THE PREPARATION OF THE SPD

The Draft SPD is written according to English Heritage guidance on the preparation of conservation area character appraisals and management plans. Officers in Planning and Regeneration, Transportation and Local Services were consulted on various issues during its preparation. English Heritage, English Nature, the Environment Agency and the Countryside Agency were consulted on the need for a Strategic Environmental Assessment of the document and agreed that it was not required.

MAIN ISSUES RAISED DURING THIS CONSULTATION

No major issues of concern were raised.

CURRENT CONSULTATION PROCESS

A newsletter explaining the context and content of the draft SPD and outlining the current consultation process has been distributed to every address in the conservation area. The location, dates and times of a series of 'surgeries' where members of the public can seek advice and/comment on the content of the document are given in the newsletter. A number of bodies such as the Chamber of Commerce and the Victorian Society have been consulted individually. A full list of individual consultees is available on request.

The draft SPD and its supporting documents are available for public inspection in the City Council Reception area on the 9th floor of Alpha Tower, Suffolk Street Queensway, Birmingham from Monday to Thursday between 8.45am and 5.15pm and on Fridays between 8.45am and 4.15pm.

Comments have been invited until 13th April 2007. The document will be revised with reference to the comments received and published as adopted SPD in summer 2007.

5th March 2007