

# **Appendix 2: Consultation Results**

| Title:        | House Extensions in South Tottenham Supplementary Planning Document Preliminary informal consultation |
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## 1. Consultation Overview

In October the Cabinet approved the principles of design guideline for house extension in the South Tottenham area of the Borough for wider community consultation. The community consultation was undertaken for a period of over eight weeks and 262 representations have been received. The detailed analysis of this will be included in this report.

#### 2. Purpose

To gauge the views of local residents and interest groups on the proposed design advice before writing it up as a Supplementary Planning Document containing special planning policies to be applicable in the specified area of South Tottenham only.

### 3. Who was consulted

The report was posted to all addresses in the area proposed to be affected by the proposed planning policies, as well as all community groups the council was aware of that are based in or concerned in issues affecting the relevant area. Other relevant council services and the planning offices of neighbouring local authorities and the GLA were also sent the consultation. It was also made available on the Council's website at: <a href="http://www.haringey.gov.uk/supplementary\_planning\_documents.htm">http://www.haringey.gov.uk/supplementary\_planning\_documents.htm</a>

### 4. Methodology

The package posted contained an explanatory leaflet, reply form and addressed return envelope; the same documents could also be downloaded from the Council website as PDF documents (too be read by the free cross platform Adobe Acrobat Reader / Adobe Reader computer programme). Postal and email addresses for return of responses were provided on the explanatory leaflet; the same postal address was printed on the envelope included with those posted out. The documents were also translated into the Council's "Limehouse" online consultation web portal.

The explanatory leaflet was a single sheet, twice folded, equivalent to 6 sides of A4 paper consisting of:

- a letter of introduction,
- 3 pages of the proposed guidance to become the core of the SPD; with background explanation, drawing and description of the three types of house extension to be encouraged and brief additional comments,
- a map of the area proposed to be affected and
- a page offering translations into six community languages (Albanian, Polish, French, Somali, Hebrew and Turkish), large print, audio tape, Braille, easy words and pictures or other languages.

The reply form consisted of a single A4 sheet printed on both sides, with the same drawings and simple descriptions of the three types, with a box for respondents to enter their comments against each type. There was a fourth box at the end for respondents to enter any other comments. Respondents were not asked to identify themselves.

### 5. Summary of responses

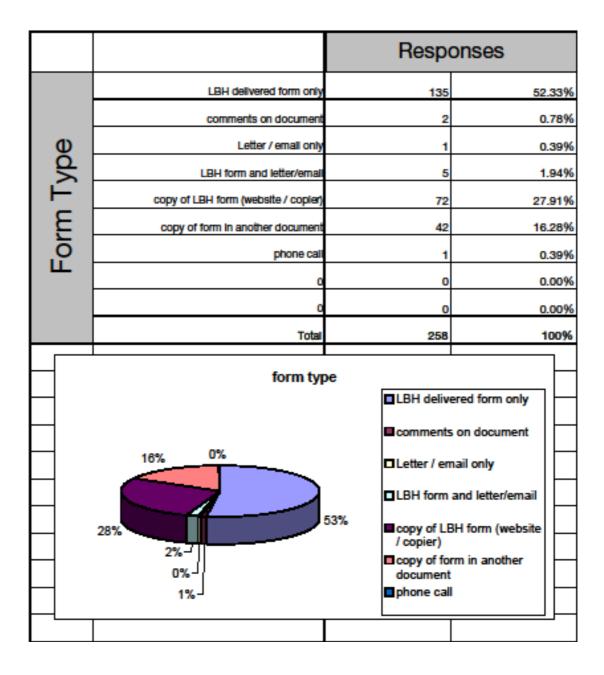
258 responses were received. The majority (52% or 135) of those returned were posted original forms. 72 forms (28%) looked like printed of the website (or could have been photocopies using a colour photocopier. No respondents used the "Limehouse" web portal.

A ward councillor adapted the form to make a single side response form, identical in every other way to our original form, which he distributed printed on the back of a leaflet for his political party. 42 such forms with responses were received (17% of the responses).

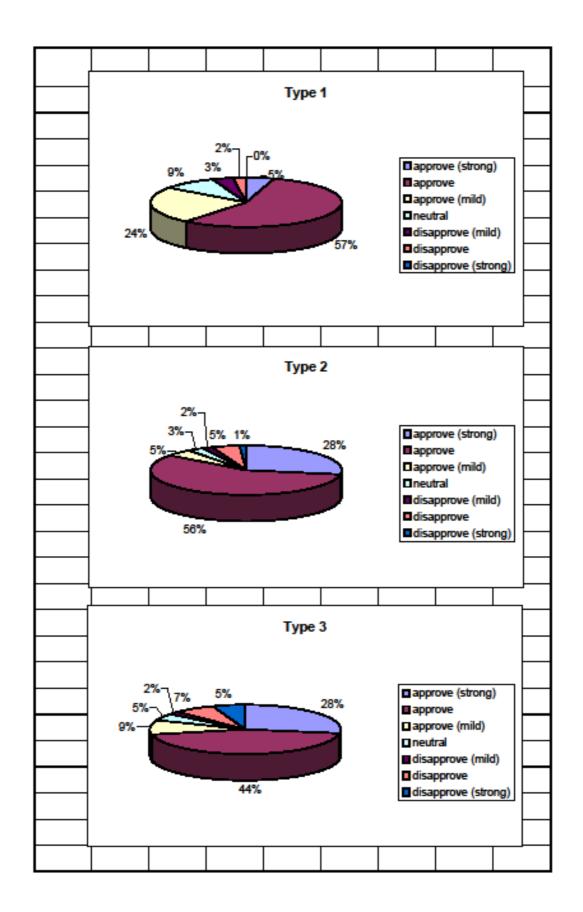
Respondents were neither encouraged to nor discouraged from providing their names or addresses and no specific place was provided for this; some respondents did provide one or both of these. These have been noted in the collation table prepared in Microsoft Excel. Returned forms have also been numbered to correspond to unique numbers in the collation table, and all received responses have been kept. Statistical analysis of the responses was generated in Excel and it attached to this document.

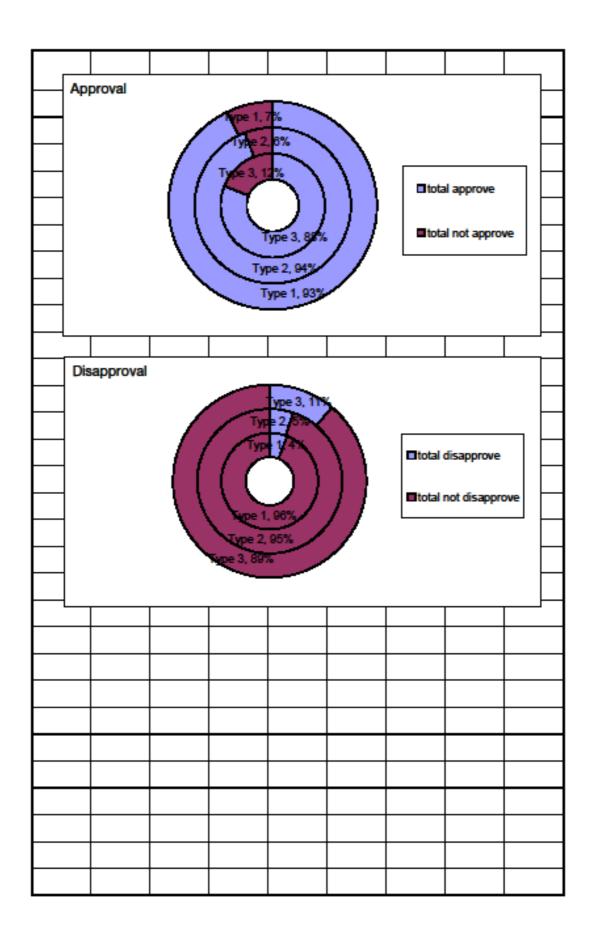
# 6. Summary of Findings

The following pages contain the statistical analysis of the findings; first form types received, second a table of the opinions expressed and the issues raised, third and fourth pie charts of the level of approval.



|   |   | Type 1 |        | Type 2 |        | Type 3 |        |  |  |  |
|---|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
|   | approve (strong)  | 12     | 4.65%  | 71     | 27.73% | 71     | 27.52% |  |  |  |
| Opinion   | approve   | 145    | 56.20% | 147    | 57.42% | 114    | 44.19% |  |  |  |
|   | approve (mild)  | 62     | 24.03% | 12     | 4.69%  | 24     | 9.30%  |  |  |  |
|   | neutral   | 24     | 9.30%  | 7      | 2.73%  | 12     | 4.65%  |  |  |  |
|   | disapprove (mild)   | 9      | 3.49%  | 4      | 1.56%  | 5      | 1.94%  |  |  |  |
|   | disapprove  | 6      | 2.33%  | 12     | 4.69%  | 18     | 6.98%  |  |  |  |
|   | disapprove (strong)   | 0      | 0.00%  | 3      | 1.17%  | 14     | 5.43%  |  |  |  |
|   | 0   | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  |  |  |  |
|   | 0   | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  |  |  |  |
|   | Total   | 258    | 100%   | 256    | 100%   | 258    | 100%   |  |  |  |
|   | total approve   | 219    | 84.88% | 230    | 89.84% | 209    | 81.01% |  |  |  |
|   | total not approve   | 39     | 15.12% | 26     | 10.16% | 49     | 18.99% |  |  |  |
|   | total disapprove  | 15     | 5.81%  | 19     | 7.42%  | 37     | 14.34% |  |  |  |
|   | total not disapprove  | 243    | 94.19% | 237    | 92.58% | 221    | 85.66% |  |  |  |
| S   | superbly meets need   | 3      | 6.25%  | 20     | 32.79% | 24     | 38.10% |  |  |  |
|   | adequately meets<br>need  | 15     | 31.25% | 31     | 50.82% | 12     | 19.05% |  |  |  |
|   | meets need but too<br>expensive   | 1      | 2.08%  | 0      | 0.00%  | 5      | 7.94%  |  |  |  |
|   | unacceptable<br>appearance  | 1      | 2.08%  | 1      | 1.64%  | 3      | 4.76%  |  |  |  |
| ě   | Insufficient to meet<br>need  | 23     | 47.92% | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  |  |  |  |
| senss   | unacceptable<br>appearance  | 2      | 4.17%  | 7      | 11.48% | 11     | 17.46% |  |  |  |
| 81  | amenity concerns  |        |        |        | 3.28%  | 8      |        |  |  |  |
|   | 0   | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  |  |  |  |
|   | 0   | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  | 0      | 0.00%  |  |  |  |
|   | Total   | 48     | 100%   | 61     | 100%   | 63     | 100%   |  |  |  |
|   |   |        | -3-1-  |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| Note: Not all respondants answered every question |   |        |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|   | Blank opinions have been assumed to be neutral (unless specific responses indicate otherwise) |        |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|   | Blank issues have been ignorred (hence not the same totals)                                   |        |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|   |   |        |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |





## 7. Council's response

It is clear from the representations received that the local residents would support the three design options being promoted as principles of design for house extension.

A number of detailed design considerations have been incorporated into the document following queries and concerns raised by some respondents. These include explanations of how the proposals could be adapted to some of the more particular and unusual house types in the area and policies to ensure that neighbours amenities are not compromised by extensions permitted by the SPD.

### 8. What happens next

Following consideration by Cabinet, if approved, the draft SPD will be sent out for statutory consultation of a further 6 weeks to stakeholders and residents in the affected area. Provided the result of that consultation is positive, any further changes suggested by that consultation will be incorporated, prior to submission of the final SPD to the Planning Committee and Cabinet for adoption as council planning policy.

### 9. When did the Consultation take Place

Consultation documents were sent out in the week from 30<sup>th</sup> November to 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009 and the web portal and consultation documents on the website went live on the 7<sup>th</sup> December.

The documents requested respondents endeavour to return their responses as soon as possible, if possible by 19<sup>th</sup> December; this was to limit disruption by the Christmas break. However, in view of this, we announced on the website that submissions returned up to the 11th January would be welcomed, and in practice, submissions were received and counted for at least 3 weeks after that. No submissions have been received after the end of January.

#### 10. Specific Area

The South Tottenham area to which this SPD applies is strictly defined; a map and list of streets (and where relevant numbers of properties where streets are part in the area and part out) can be found in section 4 of the SPD.

### 11. Related documents

Report for Cabinet 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2010

Appendix 1: Draft House Extensions Design Guide for South Tottenham

Supplementary Planning Document

Appendix 3: Equality Impact Assessment December 2009

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