

9 Tests of soundness for the SCI (taken from PPG12)

- 1) The local planning authority has complied with the minimum requirements for consultation as set out in Regulations (The Town and Country Planning (Local Development)(England) Regulations 2004)
- 2) The local planning authority's strategy for community involvement links with other community involvement initiatives e.g. the Community Strategy
- 3) The statement identifies in general terms which local community groups and other bodies will be consulted
- 4) The statement identifies how the community and other bodies can be involved in a timely and accessible manner
- 5) The methods of consultation to be employed are suitable for the intended audience and for the different stages in the preparation of local development documents
- 6) Resources are available to manage community involvement effectively
- 7) The statement shows how the results of community involvement will be fed into the preparation of development plan documents and supplementary planning documents
- 8) The authority has mechanisms for reviewing the Statement of Community Involvement
- 9) The statement clearly describes the planning authority's policy for consultation on planning applications