### Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form.

### Which service area and directorate are you from?

Service Area: Planning and City Regeneration Directorate: Place

| Q1        | (a) What are you screening for relevance?   |
|-----------|---|
|           | New and revised policies, practices or procedures<br>Service review, re-organisation or service changes/reductions, which affect the wider community, service<br>users and/or staff                           |
| $\square$ | Efficiency or saving proposals  |
| $\square$ | Setting budget allocations for new financial year and strategic financial planning  |
|           | New project proposals affecting staff, communities or accessibility to the built environment, e.g., new construction work or adaptations to existing buildings, moving to on-line services, changing location |
|           | Large Scale Public Events   |
|           | Local implementation of National Strategy/Plans/Legislation   |
|           | Strategic directive and intent, including those developed at Regional Partnership Boards and Public Services<br>Board, which impact on a public bodies functions  |
|           | Medium to long term plans (for example, corporate plans, development plans, service delivery and improvement plans)   |
|           | Setting objectives (for example, well-being objectives, equality objectives, Welsh language strategy)   |
|           | Major procurement and commissioning decisions   |
|           | Decisions that affect the ability (including external partners) to offer Welsh language opportunities and services  |

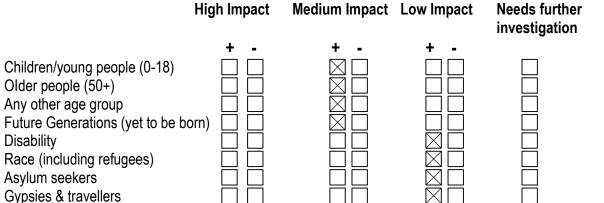
### (b) Please name and fully <u>describe</u> initiative here:

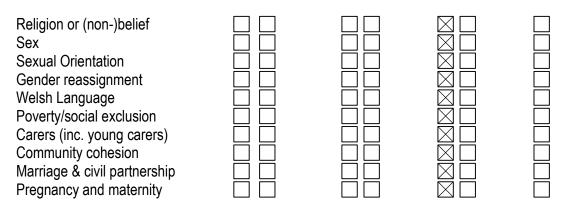
Revised consultation draft Placemaking Guidance for the Gower AONB Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) (previously known as the Gower AONB Design Guide SPG).

The SPG provides supplementary planning guidance to support the implementation of policies in the adopted Swansea Local Development Plan (LDP) on development within the Gower AONB and development outside the AONB boundary which may impact upon the setting of the AONB.

It should be noted that the SPG does not introduce new policy, it provides worked examples and detailed clarification on the relevant policies set out in the LDP, which have been subject to EIA and Examination by the Planning Inspectorate.

### Q2 What is the potential impact on the following: the impacts below could be positive (+) or negative (-)





# Q3 What involvement has taken place/will you undertake e.g. engagement/consultation/co-productive approaches? Please provide details below – either of your activities or your reasons for not undertaking involvement

A draft version of the SPG document was subject to a minimum 6 week period of public consultation and engagement between 4<sup>th</sup> September and 66<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Comments received in response to the consultation were collated and evaluated, and reported in a Consultation Report, together with the Council's response. Having regard to the comments received, a number of modifications to the draft SPG were considered to be appropriate. The Report was published on the website alongside the amended SPG.

The majority of amendments were relatively minor improvements to accuracy and clarity of the Guidance, or updates in response to the publication of Future Wales: the National Plan 2040, and associated amendments to Planning Policy Wales. There were however some amendments, which were considered substantive enough to benefit from a second consultation, in order to ensure consultees had sufficient opportunity to consider them. The document was also re-named as 'Placemaking Guidance for the Gower AONB' in order to reflect consistency with other SPG and in recognition of the placemaking agenda that forms the central them of national planning guidance and the development plan. As per the initial consultation, this ran for the minimum of six weeks, which began on 14th June and ended on 5th September 2021.

Face to face public engagement events were unable to occur due to constraints associated with Covid-19 restrictions. Nevertheless, the consultation involved a wide range of awareness raising and engagement activities, including:

- Print media articles and social media notices before and during the consultation.
- A specific web page created for the SPG that described the consultation, provided a weblink to the document, and a link to the comment form.
- Notification emails posted to a range of stakeholders, including Councillors.
- Remote briefings to stakeholder groups, briefly outlining the changes between the two versions of the SPG, via Microsoft Teams presentations.
- Publication of recorded video presentations on the Council's website.
- Hard copies of the document were made available on request.

Comments received in response to the second consultation have been collated and evaluated, and are reported in a Consultation Report, providing the Council's response and amendments to this revised version of the SPG. The Report will be published on the website alongside the adopted SPG.

### Q4 Have you considered the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 in the development of this initiative:

| a) | Overall does the initiat together?<br>Yes 🖂   | ive support our Corporate Pla         | n's Well-being Objectives when considered       |  |  |
|----|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| b) | Does the initiative cons<br>Yes ⊠   | sider maximising contribution         | to each of the seven national well-being goals? |  |  |
| c) | Does the initiative appl<br>Yes ⊠   | y each of the five ways of wo<br>No 🗌 | rking?  |  |  |
| d) | Does the initiative mee<br>generations to meet the<br>Yes 🔀   |                                       | hout compromising the ability of future         |  |  |
| Q5 | What is the potential risk of the initiative? (Consider the following impacts – equality, socio-economic, environmental, cultural, legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc) |                                       |   |  |  |
|    | High risk   | Medium risk                           | Low risk  |  |  |
| Q6 | Will this initiative h  | ave an impact (howeve                 | minor) on any other Council service?            |  |  |
| [  | Yes No If yes, please provide details below   |                                       |   |  |  |
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## Q7 What is the cumulative impact of this proposal on people and/or communities when considering all the impacts identified within the screening and any other key decisions affecting similar groups/ service users made by the organisation?

The impacts are medium, low or non-existent. The document will result in positive impacts in terms of ensuring development on Gower enhances the designated landscape, protects and enhances biodiversity and fully embraces the Placemaking agenda, ensuring health and wellbeing is central to all development, for the benefit of all sectors/ages/profiles of the community for the benefit of current and future generations.

### **Outcome of Screening**

### Q8 Please describe the outcome of your screening below:

- Summary of impacts identified and mitigation needed (Q2)
- Summary of involvement (Q3)
- WFG considerations (Q4)
- Any risks identified (Q5)
- Cumulative impact (Q7)

An Equality Impact Assessment Screening was undertaken on the previous version of the document for consultation. That EIA Screening identified mostly low impacts. This IIA is an update of that EIA to reflect the consultation process undertaken and amendments that have been made to the document as a result.

The SPG seeks to facilitate community cohesion by assisting the implementation of the relevant LDP policies. The LDP policies have already been subject to EIA and are based on a comprehensive, and up to date evidence base, which has been found sound by the Planning Inspectorate. The SPG seeks support LDP polices by providing detailed information for planning officers and developers on the assessment of planning applications located, and on the edge of, the Gower AONB. This will ensure clear, consistent and transparent decision making.

A minimum 6 week consultation was undertaken in October 2020. The document was reviewed and amended where appropriate, as a result of the responses received (in-line with Welsh Government planning guidance). A second consultation was undertaken for a minimum of six weeks from July 2021 on the amended draft document. Further changes have been made as a result of comments received. The final version is now proposed for adoption by the Council for use as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. Public consultation and engagement is a central element of producing planning guidance. No equalities issues were raised during the consultation.

Full IIA to be completed

Do not complete IIA – please ensure you have provided the relevant information above to support this outcome

NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email.

| Screening completed by:            |  |  |
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| Job title: Senior Planning Officer |  |  |
| Date: 28/09/21                     |  |  |
| Approval by Head of Service:       |  |  |
| Name:                              |  |  |
| Position:                          |  |  |
| Date:                              |  |  |

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