

CABINET – 21 JUNE 2011

DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

Additional advice from the Deputy Chief Executive

National Government published an updated Planning Policy Statement 3 on the 9 June 2011. As a result there is a need to revise the wording of paragraph 2.4.2 in the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document (Appendix A – page 19) to reflect that the new Planning Policy Statement has now been published and is no longer a proposed change to national policy.

Proposed amendment:

2.4.2 The Government recently consulted on a change to Planning Policy Statement 3: Housing. The ~~proposed~~ change ~~would~~ include^s the product Affordable Rent as a form of affordable housing. The council submitted a response to this consultation raising concern whether the product would work in Southwark where there is a high need for affordable housing, particularly social rented housing, and a low average income. The revised Planning Policy Statement 3 was adopted on 9 June 2011. We will look at the implications of the new definitions for Southwark as part of the consultation on this SPD.

The report and appendices were submitted to the constitutional team for despatch on 9 June 2011 so the revised wording was unable to be incorporated at that time.

Dated: 17 June 2011