



Draft Supplementary Planning Document 19

Hot Food Takeaways— Consultation Statement

June 2026



1. Introduction

- 1.1. Draft SPD19: Hot Food Takeaways has been prepared in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 1.2. Regulation 12(a) requires the Council to produce a consultation statement before adoption of the SPD. This statement must set out who was consulted, a summary of the issues raised, and how these issues were incorporated into the SPD.
- 1.3. Regulation 12(b) requires the Council to publish the documents (including a 'consultation statement') for a minimum 4-week consultation, specify the date when responses should be received, and identify the address to which responses should be sent.
- 1.4. Regulation 13 stipulates that any person may make representations about the SPD and that the representations must be made by the end of the consultation date referred to in Regulation 12.
- 1.5. Regulation 12 states that when seeking representations on an SPD, documents must be made available in accordance with Regulation 35. This requires the Council to make documents available by taking the following steps:
 - Make the document available at the principal office and other places within the area that the Council considers appropriate; and
 - Publish the document on the Council's website.
- 1.6. This Consultation Statement sets out the extent of consultation and engagement undertaken on draft SPD19, highlights the issues raised and how the document was amended to reflect the issues raised.

2. Engagement during the preparation of the draft SPD

- 2.1 Draft SPD19 provides supporting information and guidance on how the Local Planning Authority will assess applications for hot food takeaways where planning permission is required.
- 2.2 As such, the draft SPD was largely developed within the Strategic Planning and Infrastructure team in conjunction with specialist input from the Council's Public Health team.
- 2.3 The SPD received support from Bury's Health Scrutiny Board and the Bury Food Partnership.
- 2.4 The following table sets out the key issues raised during the internal engagement and how these have been addressed in the draft SPD.

Issue	How was this incorporated into the draft SPD
Provide some further clarity on the process for new applications.	Amendments made accordingly and additional text added.
How will the SPD deal with home delivery services such as uber eats etc.	Home Delivery services are not covered by the draft SPD.
Odour should be included in Section 5 as a planning consideration.	Additional text added to the SPD which provides guidance on suitable extraction systems.
Drainage should be included in Section 5 as a planning consideration.	Additional text added to the SPD which provides guidance on drainage.

3. Screening Assessments

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening

- 3.1 A Screening Statement has been prepared to determine whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) would be required for the draft SPD19. The Council consulted Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency over a six-week period (18th December 2025 to 12th

January 2026) in order to seek their views on the conclusions of the SEA Screening Assessment.

- 3.2 Responses were received from all three bodies, all of whom agreed with the Council that the above assessments would not be required to accompany the SPD.

Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Screening

- 3.3 The Greater Manchester Ecology Unit (GMEU) were consulted on 18th December 2025. GMEU agreed with the Council's conclusion that the SPD would not require a full HRA and, in responding to their consultation on the SEA screening, Natural England also agreed that the proposed SPD would not require a full HRA.

4. Consultation

- 4.1 Draft SPD19 was approved for consultation by the Council's Cabinet on 08th January 2025. A six-week period of consultation subsequently commenced on **Monday 26th January**, running to **Monday 09th March 2026**.
- 4.2 During this consultation, all relevant documentation could be found on the Council's web site copies of the documents were available for inspection electronically at Bury Town Hall between the hours of 8.45am and 5.00pm (Monday-Friday) and at local libraries and the Tottington Centre during their normal opening hours (see www.bury.gov.uk/libraries and www.tottingtoncentre.co.uk for details).
- 4.3 Comments were invited by email to be sent to planning.policy@bury.gov.uk or by post to the following address:

Strategic Planning and Infrastructure
Place Directorate
3 Knowsley Place
Duke Street
Bury
BL9 0EJ

5. Consultation Responses

5.1 The consultation generated a total of seven responses. Although four of these responded simply to say that they had no comments. The Council's response to comments received are set out in the table below:

Comment	Council Response	Change Required
The number of takeaways in a neighbourhood should be limited for the following reasons: • Many are situated in areas of deprivation. • There are now clusters of Takeaways, changing the street scene. • Takeaway food is known to be a very unhealthy option. • Takeaways are businesses mainly active in the evenings therefore impacts on shopping areas in the daytime with premises closed and shuttered. • Increased litter is a known fact around takeaways. • Takeaways should not be approved near to schools as some proprietors will capitalise on this and open at close of school, childhood obesity, already a challenge.	The SPD provides supporting information and guidance on how the Local Planning Authority will assess applications for hot food takeaways where planning permission is required this includes consideration of where and when the number of Hot Food Takeaways should be limited/restricted.	No
The SPD appears to provide a balanced approach that supports economic growth while taking necessary steps to protect the health of the community, improve environmental quality, and ensure planning decisions are aligned with the Borough's long-term ambitions. The SPD provides a proportionate and justified response to local need. This represents a proactive and responsible use of the planning system to shape healthier places and narrow health inequalities.	Support noted.	No
Food needs to be labelled correctly as religiously slaughtered or not.	Noted	No

5.2 The consideration of these comments has led to the conclusion that the SPD would benefit from a small number of minor changes prior to it being formally adopted. In particular:

- Clarification has been provided on the process for new planning applications.
- Odour has been added as a planning consideration to Section 5.
- Drainage has been added as a planning consideration to Section 5.

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