



ADOPTION STATEMENT

LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON

ACCESSIBLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

In accordance with Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, notice is given that the London Borough of Islington adopted its Accessible Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) on 19 March 2009. The SPD replaces a Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) document adopted in 2002 and the Interim Planning Guidance Note: Lifetime Homes and Wheelchair Users Housing adopted in 2006. It forms part of the Local Development Framework.

The Accessible Housing SPD sets out the Council's standards for accessible housing and applies to all new housing, whether new build, refurbishment, extension or conversion. The authority to set appropriate design standards at a local level is established by certain retained policies within Islington's UDP. The standards build upon those that define Lifetime Homes, they reflect policy development at a national level towards a contemporary British Standard for accessible housing, respond to local conditions, and contribute to the delivery of more inclusive communities. Stipulation on the design of housing suitable for permanent and sustainable occupation by a wheelchair user (10% of all new housing) is drawn from Habinteg Housing Association's guide and allows for the fact that not every unit will immediately or continuously be occupied by a wheelchair user and that in any event individual needs and domestic arrangements vary.

Any person with sufficient interest in the decision to adopt the Accessible Housing SPD may apply to the High Court for permission to apply for judicial review of the decision. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than 3 months after the date on which the SPD was adopted. The adopted SPD, this adoption statement, and the consultation statement can be viewed at the Council's website at www.islington.gov.uk and inspected free of charge at all public libraries in Islington (for locations and opening times see: <http://www.islington.gov.uk/Education/Libraries/Local/>) as well as the Municipal Offices on Upper Street (8am to 6pm Monday to Friday except Wednesday's 8.30am-6pm). Any comments on these documents should be sent in writing to the planning policy team at the Municipal Offices or by email to: ldf@islington.gov.uk

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