

PARKING STANDARDS

BACKGROUND

- 1 The parking standards set out in “Hampshire Parking Strategy and Standards 2002” were adopted by this Council in May 2002 for use in determining planning applications. The document was prepared by Hampshire County Council and contains parking standards for a variety of land uses. It can be found at: <http://www.hants.gov.uk/carparking/index.html>

RESIDENTIAL PARKING STANDARDS

- 2 PPG3 was replaced by PPS3 in November 2006. The new PPS states that local planning authorities should develop residential parking policies for their areas. In light of PPS3, Hampshire County Council has decided to delete all reference to residential parking standards in its parking policy document. District councils are asked to set their own standards based on car ownership and local circumstances.
- 3 Draft PPS4: Economic Development proposes deleting the maximum parking standards for non-residential development set out in PPG13: Transport. A future revision of all of the District Council’s parking standards will therefore be required. Research into issues such as car ownership levels, appropriate densities in various areas, accessibility etc will be needed. These new parking standards will eventually be included in a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).
- 4 On 24 April 2008 the Council’s Development Policy Panel considered the need to re-adopt the residential parking standards. They recommended to Cabinet that the residential parking standards set out in the Hampshire document should be re-adopted. Cabinet met on 9 July and agreed the recommendation. These maximum parking limits are as follows:

General residential

1 bedroom unit	1 space per unit
2-3 bedroom unit	2 spaces per unit
4 or more bedroom unit	3 spaces per unit

Older people’s housing

Active elderly with warden control.	1 space per unit
Nursing and rest homes	1 space per 4 residents and 1 space per staff

- 5 The document also sets out minimum cycle standards for residential development as follows:

General residential

	Long stay	Short stay
1 bedroom unit.	1 space per unit.	1 loop/hoop per unit.
2-3 bedroom unit.	2 spaces per unit.	1 loop/hoop per unit.
4 or more bedroom unit.	2 spaces per unit.	1 loop/hoop per unit.

Older people's housing

Active elderly with warden control.	1 space per unit.	1 loop/hoop per 2 units.
Nursing and rest homes.	1 space per 6 staff.	1 loop/hoop per 2 units.

- 6 The maximum car parking standards will normally apply to all new housing developments. In some more accessible locations a reduction in parking provision may be appropriate. These will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.