



The framework has helped deliver improvements to public realm in Bracknell Town Centre

Subject area	Considerations
Community profile	Stakeholders
	 Local views, preferences and aspirations
	 Organisational structures
	Census and other statistical data
	Cultural characteristics
	 Safety and security
Local plan policies	• Design
	Strategic views
	Land uses
	 Transportation plans
	Interim uses
	 Specific constraints (eg.airport
	protection zones)
Heritage and conservation	Conservation areas
	 Listed buildings
	Ancient monuments
	Archeology
	 Sites of Special Scientific Interest
	 Local Nature Reserves and other designated
	ecological sites
	 Protected flora and fauna
	 Nature conservation, Countryside and
	Green Strategies
Other relevant policies and	 Supplementary planning guidance
initiatives	 Development frameworks
	 Design guides
	 Site development briefs
	 Other relevant local authority policies
	 Relevant policies and requirements of
	other bodies (eg. RDAs, Environment Agency
	 Other local initiatives

Bracknell Town Centre Renewal: Creating a consensus for improvement

Bracknell Town Centre	
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Urban Design Framework and provision	
of Supplementary Planning Guidance	
Bracknell Forest District Council, in the face of two major	
planning applications, required an urban design framework	
that would help set the design agenda for the renewal of the	
town centre and provide a basis for negotiations with the	
developers. A series of public workshops, which also included	
members, officers, and representatives from the developers,	
was held. These established the image and perception of the	
town centre and a set of design principles. The workshop	
groups also designed their own plans and aspirations for	
their town centre. A general consensus was apparent, and	
this formed the basis of the Urban Design Framework. The	
key principles on such aspects as access, mix of uses, and	
public realm were set out in the form of Supplementary	
Planning Guidance.	
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