

REFERENCE NUMBER	ORGANISATION	COMMENTS	OFFICER RESPONSE
ST12 - Visitor Economy			
1189777	Resident	Do not forget the possibility of new marinas on the Chesterfield Canal. Support the proposed new marina at Walkeringham.	Policy ST12 supports proposals which would provide facilities to enhance the visitor offer in the District. This would include marinas.
1191455	Resident	If our area become a serious a tourist attraction (and a provider of part-time & seasonal employment) then more strategic thought is need to link development and encourage visitors to stay in Bassetlaw. The Council will need to lead on this to encourage our existing attractions to work together and with new attractions to make visits to Bassetlaw a rewarding experience	Comments noted.
REF092	Consultant	Suggest that the following criterion is added to Policy ST12: The diversification of existing touring caravan pitches to static lodges or pods will be supported where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the proposals are for the expansion of an existing business; and • there are no significantly detrimental impacts on the area's landscape, ecology, amenity of neighbouring land uses, the historic environment, designated heritage assets and the character of the area by virtue of increased noise and impacts on light or highway safety and the operation of the highway network. Overall, and considering the above, policies must be sufficiently flexible to allow businesses to adapt to changing economic trends and changes in the demands of tourists. Policy must enable the Caravan and Motorhome Club to support the growth of the local economy by ensuring the ability of its existing sites to be developed and enhanced. Overall, this ensures the future viability of the business, and supports the tourist industry within Bassetlaw. Given the Club's ambition to operate in Bassetlaw for a long-term period in the future they need to guarantee the economic viability of their sites. In turn, wish to see the Council develop a policy to support the expansion and diversification of holiday and caravan sites.	To better enable the Caravan Club to support the District's tourist industry the policy will be amended as suggested.
1194992	Resident	Pg 66 restricting holiday homes, may have a negative effect on housing market as taking houses out of supply long term.	Planning conditions are used to ensure holiday accommodation is appropriately used for a short period of time and is not a way of developing/living in a home in a location which may be unsustainable.
REF198	Consultant	This policy is very short sighted and establishes numerous "hoops" that rural development has to jump through in order for it to be acceptable. Siting many of the rural operations adjacent to towns is not really an option. Acknowledge that Bassetlaw has much to offer the visitor and part of that is its rural setting and offering a more proactive Tourism sector within the Council would be a start. Springvale Fisheries at Bevercotes was quite vehemently objected to by the Council, Notts County Council and some, not all, nearby residents. This was a totally new standalone fishery, rather than making the best use of an extinct quarry but a purposefully designed and built visitor attraction. It is now one of the premier angling locations in the UK and is fully booked up for match fishing for the next 2 years at weekends and 75% booked for weekdays. It is a major success that would never have happened without an Appeals Inspector seeing beyond the restrictive policies. This policy is so far out of date it needs wholly rethinking and is not sound.	Policy ST12 reflects the town centres first approach to tourism development in national policy. However, Policy ST12 recognises the importance that rural attractions bring to the economy and are covered by part C of the policy. The proposed policy framework is very different to that set out within the adopted Core Strategy (against which Springvale Fisheries was assessed). It is considered that Policy ST12 provides a positive framework against which visitor attractions in the countryside should be assessed.
REF282	Resident	National Trust supports Policy ST12 which supports the visitor economy of the district, particularly Part E which supports developments that will enhance the environment or bring neglected or underused heritage assets back into appropriate economic use.	Support noted and welcome.
REF283	Consultant	6.7.3 Should include development of cycle routes linking visitor attraction sites to form attractions themselves, like the Derbyshire Peaks & Rutland Water.	Reference will be added to para 6.7.3 to include support for sustainable transport links to and between visitor attractions.
REF300 -	Consultant	Natural England welcomes paragraph 6.74 "Balance must be achieved between priority visitor experience and protecting unique qualities of natural and built environment". Suggest that this point should be emphasised within the policy wording itself to ensure protection of recreational sites, such as Clumber Park, which experience high visitor pressure threatening fragile natural habitats.	Reference to Clumber Park will be added to para 6.7.4. Ensuring the District's natural and historical assets are not adversely affected by visitor attractions is important. Reference to their appropriate protection will be added to Policy ST12.

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REF327 -	Parish Council	Para. 6.7.7 Visitor Accommodation should also include an item that will stop holiday accommodation usage turning into permanent accommodation via 12 month licences and rigid enforcement. Made Neighbourhood Plans can also be a delivery mechanism too, if visitor accommodation and economy is included.	Planning conditions are used to ensure holiday accommodation is appropriately used for a short period of time and is not a way of developing/living in a home in a location which may be unsustainable. This is referenced at para 6.7.7.