

Solent Special Protection Areas Unilateral Undertaking process note

Portsmouth City Council approved and agreed the Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy (December 2017) for implementation from 1st April 2018. This note sets out how Unilateral Undertakings (UUs) will be set up to secure commitment to funding mitigation schemes from developments. The flow chart below shows how the city council's UU checking service will work.

The cost of the checking service will be £50 per UU. Land Registry searches are required and will be charged at cost if they are not provided by the developer. Please note that two title searches will be required at different stages of the checking service.

A template Unilateral Undertaking and accompanying guidance notes have been prepared and are available on the website alongside the SPD. Developers should download and fill in the template UU with the details of the application as soon as possible, **ideally submitting it with the application**. If the draft UU has not been submitted with the application, the applicant and/or agent will be informed by the case officer that they will need to prepare and submit a binding UU before planning permission can be granted. Developers can rely on their own legal advisers. If they do so the council will charge for its legal advisers to confirm that the UU is effective, which will be at a higher rate than the standard checking service.

