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How to Complete

1 Introduction

Section 1 provides a context for the Main Issues Report Do you have any comments in relation to this section?

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No

2 Settlement Strategy

Question 1 New Housing Sites

Do you agree with our preferred housing sites? Are there any other sites that would be suitable for housing?:

Question 2 Housing Allowances Beyond 2032

Is there a need for us to identify further Housing Allowances or sites for the period beyond 2032?:

Question 3 Brownfield and other Opportunity Sites

Are there any further brownfield or other opportunity sites which would be suitable for redevelopment?:

The site where the former Bucksburn Primary School is situated was gifted to the people of Bucksburn to be used for the benefit of children therefore it cannot be used for housing. This was made clear to residents by Aberdeen City Council during the consultation on the closure of the school and the so-called consultation on the site of the replacement primary school.

Question 4 New Healthcare Facilities

Do you have any comments on these sites? Are there any other sites in these areas that we should be considering?:

The site where the former Bucksburn Primary School is situated was gifted to the people of Bucksburn to be used for the benefit of children. This was made clear to residents by Aberdeen City Council during the consultation on the closure of the school and the so-called consultation on the site of the replacement primary school. The council also stated in these consultation meetings that access to the site was poor and nothing has changed in this respect so it is incorrect to state in the Report that there is good access. The council does not own the unnamed access road, and it is still narrow and unsuitable for a large number of vehicles. The area already has 2 gp surgeries located in 3 separate buildings and health care clinic. These would all benefit from redevelopment or improvement but this could be done on the existing sites.

4 Quality Places

MAIN ISSUE 4 Minimum Internal Space Standards for New Residential Development

How can we ensure that new residential development delivers an adequate amount of internal floor space for future occupants?:

Not Answered

Question 16 External Space Standards

Do you think that the amenity spaces currently delivered are of a sufficient quality? Should we strive for a better quality/ quantity of private/ semi-private residential amenity space across the city and refuse planning permission to proposals which do not meet our high standards? What standards would you like to see set for new dwellings, flats, and conversions in respect of quality and quantity of external amenity space?:

There is a lack of amenity spaces especially in new builds. Many blocks of flats only seem to allocate space for parking and not green space - there are no suitable areas for children to play safely and to make the surrounding environment pleasant for all residents. Planting 3 or 4 shrubs outside a building is not enough

Question 17 Natural Environment

Do you agree that the proposed list of policies for Natural Environment gives a clearer and more coherent structure than at present?:

Question 18 Food Growing

How can the Local Development Plan support the delivery of food growing projects in the City? Do you think food growing should be included in the next Plan by way of a new policy, or through existing policy and guidance?:

5 Transport and Infrastructure

Question 19 City Centre Parking

Should we reduce car parking in the City Centre to support the City Centre Masterplan? If so, how?:

No. The lack of parking in the city centre is keeping people away from shops, restaurants and leisure activities and instead they go outwith the city centre. Public transport is expensive and unreliable and until this can be improved people will continue to use their cars to travel.

MAIN ISSUE 5 Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

How best can we encourage the provision of infrastructure to support changes in transport technologies? :

Not Answered

Question 20 Digital Infrastructure

Should high speed broadband be mandatory in all new residential developments with 5 or more units? Do you wish to suggest any other proposed changes to the Digital Infrastructure and Telecommunications Infrastructure policies?:

Question 21 Developer Obligations and Infrastructure Delivery

Do we need to change our approach to securing developer obligations for future development proposals?:

Yes. Developers should be obliged to provide adequate green space, play areas and to upgrade roads and pavements in the area. Community facilities must be given greater importance in order to foster a neighbourhood feeling and benefit all residents. In a larger development there should be some kind of community centre which can have multiple uses - education, healthcare, sport and fitness activities, church services, family support etc. This has not been a priority and is sadly lacking in so many areas.

Additional Documents

Please include comments on other documents below:

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The link in the document to the Consultation Hub Citizen space is incorrect (a typo) which does not make it easy to comment on the Main Issues Report.

<https://consultaion.aberdeencity.gov.uk/planning/mir2019>

Additional Files

If you have further information you would like to provide you may upload it here.:

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