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LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL  
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Subject: Comments on Aberdeen City Local Development Plan 2019 Main Issues Report.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I had some time to read and reflect on the Aberdeen City Local Development Plan 2019 (Main Issues Report). While going through this document, I have also considered the serious anti-social behaviour issues we had to endure during the 13+ years we have been living in the City Centre.

I am writing to express my serious concerns about lack of importance that the Main Issues Report is placing on the anti-social behaviour problems that the residents of the City Centre experience every weekend. I really cannot understand how come this report shows so little regard for anti-social behaviour and why it does not demonstrate how this issue has been analysed, considered (particularly given the history that exists and that is well documented) and planned to deal with. I particular for the Bon Accord Terrace area please note:

- There are letters dated 2008 showing correspondence issue between the Council, the Environmental Services Department, the Police, the Licensing Authority, etc (these are available on request)
- More recently, there have been within the last 12-18 months, several serious issues logged with the police. For example, the serious assault cases in Bon Accord Terrace Gardens, the serious assault on the side of what used to be the Boozy Cow Restaurant and the person that parked inside our garage and threaten my wife when she was walking into our own home, etc.
- The above is in addition to dozens of other occasions that things have happened and we have just 'put up with it', the latest being the person peeing in our front door and, when asked to leave, verbally and almost physically abused me

I find it incredible that throughout most of this report, the angle seems to centre around a 24-hour economy for the city centre, safety concerns regarding the interaction between pedestrians and vehicular traffic and enhancing the night local economy. However, there is very little about the anti-social behaviour issues we frequently face, which will certainly worsen as result of the changes being thought about.

Being an on-time Council Tax Payer (at the exorbitant rate that our properties attract), **I would like to express my disagreement with the areas of the Main Issues Report where the Council cannot demonstrate how they will improve family living in the City Centre.** From the charter stated by the Council's Antisocial Behaviour Investigation Team, I understand it is our right to "live peacefully in safe and secure communities". As per the current documentation, there is certainly a big contradiction in the vision for the future city centre, the anti-social behaviour issues we are experiencing and the Council's obligation to provide this safe and secure living for me and my children.

In addition, I would appreciate if the Council could formally communicate if the 24-hours economy is planned for the area around Bon Accord Terrace and whether the plans on the Main Issues Report are linked to the EN03 Roads Project.

Thanks you for the ~~con~~sideration to my points

  
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