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

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## 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?:

Broadly I support the preferred housing sites and certainly support development projects that are approved and started are completed fully, including any commitments made by developers to schools or other amenities, before other developments are started

# Question 2 Housing Allowances Beyond 2032

Is there a need for us to identify further Housing Allowances or sites for the period beyond 2032?: It seems unl kely that there will be sufficient demand in and around Aberdeen to necessitate further sites - but I cannot claim to be an expert on this!

**Question 3 Brownfield and other Opportunity Sites** 

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

# **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?:

# 3 Aberdeen City Centre and the Network of Centres

# **Question 5 City Centre Boundary**

Do you agree the Local Development Plan should modify its City Centre boundary to match the City Centre boundary shown in the City Centre Masterplan?:

## **Question 6 City Centre Masterplan Intervention Areas**

Do you agree that the City Centre Masterplan intervention areas should be identified as opportunity sites within the Local Development Plan?:

### **Question 7 City Centre Retail Core**

Should the retail core be reduced to focus on a more compact area of Union Street and the existing shopping centres?:

#### **Question 8 Union Street Frontages**

Should the Union Street Frontages percentages be reviewed? Do the current target percentages ensure there is a balance between a strong retail focus and allowing for other uses? What other uses should we allow on the retail core area of Union Street:

### **Question 9 Out of Town Retailing**

Should we direct high footfall uses to existing centres including the City Centre? Should we consider new out of town retail parks? What would the impact of these be on Union Street and the City Centre, and Aberdeen's network of centres?:

#### **Question 10 Commercial Leisure Uses**

Should we continue to direct commercial leisure uses towards existing centres and the beach and leisure area?:

#### **Question 11 City Centre Living**

How can we encourage more people to live in the City Centre? Would a document outlining the principles which need to be applied in converting a building into residential use be helpful?:

#### MAIN ISSUE 1 Living in the City Centre

Should we include a policy in the Local Development Plan supporting residential development in the City Centre, including the conversion of upper and basement floors of premises to provide residential accommodation?:

#### Not Answered

**Question 12 Residential Development in the City Centre** 

Are there any other locations within the City Centre where residential accommodation could be provided?:

# MAIN ISSUE 2 A 24-Hour City

Should 24-hour activities in Aberdeen be supported and encouraged to grow, especially in the City Centre? Could this be achieved through policy?:

#### Not Answered

# **Question 13 Encouraging the Creative Arts**

What can we do to support and encourage the creative sector to ensure a range of distinctive experiences so that Aberdeen City Centre is like no other place?:

#### **Question 14 Proposals for Creative Arts**

Are there other buildings or areas within Aberdeen that could accommodate the existing, and support an emerging creative sector for desk-based and studio-based artists?:

# **Question 15 Percent for Art**

To ensure Aberdeen City Centre retains its distinctiveness, should developments with construction costs of Â■1 million or over be required to allocate at least 1% of construction costs for the inclusion of art projects in a publicly accessible/ visible place or places within the development?:

# MAIN ISSUE 3 Support for Visitor Attractions

To support our existing visitor attractions should Aberdeen have a policy about protecting and growing visitor attractions?:

Not Answered

# **Additional Documents**

## Please include comments on other documents below:

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I fully support the current assessment of development proposal B1308 Royal Devenick Park Phase 1 as "undesirable".

The proposed development will negatively impact the appearance of South Aberdeen - both from the perspective of people arriving by car on the A92 as well as the aspect and feel of the city for those living or staying in the South of the city / Garthdee area.

The area impacted by the proposed development provides an important rural recreation area for City and Shire and is of great benefit given it is situated right on the edge of the city.

The traffic situation on Leggate Terrace / Bridge of Dee has greatly improved since the completion of the AWPR but a development of the scale of the proposed development (recognising that the whole proposal comprises 4 phases) will create a significant increase in car / commuter traffic given that there will be no rail option.

Between the City & Shire there are a number of large developments (Countesswells, Chapleton, etc) already underway - these need to completed before further developments in the same area are started.

# **Additional Files**

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

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