



Aberdeen Local Development Plan Review

Main Issues Report Response Form 2019

Aberdeen City Council has published a Main Issues Report (MIR) which is part of the process of preparing a new Local Development Plan. It is designed to gather views on specific proposals and sets out options for dealing with the key planning matters facing Aberdeen over the next 20 years such as the location of new housing and employment development, the future of retailing and the City Centre, housing needs and tackling climate change. It also includes a number of potential new policies which would be used in the determination of planning applications.

The MIR has been published alongside a Monitoring Statement and Environmental Report. Copies are available to view at Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen. These, and other supporting documents, are available at: - www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/aldp2022

Everyone now has the chance to comment on the report and associated documents. All comments received will be considered and used to inform the preparation of the Proposed Aberdeen City Local Development Plan. There will be a further opportunity to comment on the Proposed Plan when it is published in early 2020.

The consultation runs from 4 March 2019 to 13 May 2019.

Responses to the published documents can be:

- made online at:- <http://consultation.aberdeencity.gov.uk/planning/mir2019>;
- emailed to:- ldp@aberdeencity.gov.uk; or
- by post to:- Local Development Plan Team, Strategic Place Planning, Aberdeen City Council, Business Hub 4, Ground Floor North, Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1AB.

Completed response forms should be with us no later than 13 May 2019.



YOUR DETAILS

Name	Barry Park
Organisation (if relevant)	Bridge of Don Thistle Junior Football Club
On behalf of (if relevant)	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail	

Thank you for taking the time to complete this response form. If you wish to be added to the LDP e-mailing list to be kept informed of our progress in producing the next Local Development Plan, please tick here



If yes, please provide an e-mail address

PRIVACY STATEMENT

As part of the review of the Local Development Plan, Aberdeen City Council (ACC) will offer you several opportunities to submit your views and comments. These opportunities will range from the current consultation stage, the Main Issues Report, where we will ask you to comment on specific proposals and alternatives to the Proposed Plan stage where the set view of ACC has been established.

ACC are legally required to consult at this stage and at Proposed Plan stage. This is set out in the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) and supporting regulations. The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 also requires us to consult on a Strategic Environmental Assessment Environmental Report.

By submitting a response to the consultation, you understand that ACC can use the information provided in this form, including personal data, as part of the review of the Aberdeen City Local Development Plan. ACC will not share or disclose any personal data about you to any organization or person unless it is authorized or required to do so by law.

The data controller for this information is ACC. We understand our legal basis for processing this information as Article 6(1)(c) of the General Data Protection Regulation as this is an activity we are legally required to carry out under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) and supporting regulations and The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005. The data on the form will be used to inform the preparation of the Proposed Aberdeen City Local Development Plan 2022. At the end of the consultation, where contact details have been provided, the Local Development Plan team will provide you with a respondent number. You may also be contacted about the comments you have made and, as obliged by the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) and supporting regulations, the Local Development Plan team will contact you to inform you of the publication of the proposed Aberdeen Local Development Plan in early 2020. If you chose not to provide your contact details, your comments will still be valid but we will not be able to contact you in the future.

Responses will be collated, redacted, summarised and stored electronically or in locked cabinets in Marischal College. All redacted responses will be published, alongside the respondents name (if provided), on the Aberdeen City Local Development Plan website. Contact details will not be made public, but your name and respondent number will be published.

Aberdeen City Council will only keep your personal data for as long as is needed. Data will be kept until the emerging Local Development Plan is itself replaced – this is likely to be around 5 years following its adoption in 2022 – so 2027. Following this, data will be disposed of in a secure manner.

YOUR DATA, YOUR RIGHTS

You've got legal rights about the way ACC handles and uses your data, which include the right to ask for a copy of it, and to ask us to stop doing something with your data. Please contact the Council's Data Protection Officer by e-mailing DataProtectionOfficer@aberdeencity.gov.uk or writing to Data Protection Officer, Aberdeen City Council, Governance, Level 1 South, Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1AB. More information is available at: - <https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/your-data>

YOUR COMMENTS

<p>Which document(s) are you commenting on?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Issues Report • Strategic Environmental Assessment Environmental Report • Monitoring Statement 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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Please indicate the document and the specific Issue, Question, Site, Policy, Map or Table you are commenting on. Please provide your comments below and explain your reason for supporting, opposing or commenting on this specific part of the document.

I write in my capacity as President of Bridge of Don Thistle Junior Football Club to express our disagreement with the preferred housing sites identified in the proposed Settlement Strategy and to request the inclusion of Cloverhill (BO220) as housing land.

Following extensive consultation with the owners of the site, which has sat undeveloped for business use for over 10 years, they have agreed to include an all-weather sports facility as part of their development. This would act as a home ground and training facility for Bridge of Don Thistle Junior Football Club whilst also being extensively available for use by the wider community.

The club has been in existence for 36 years and during that time has never been able to secure a permanent home ground. Despite this, we play a significant role in the community.

- Bridge of Don Junior Thistle work directly with 25 signed players as well as a further 40 young adults from the ages of 12 upwards and provide opportunities and teachings about football and more. This is done outside of the official club banner due to not having facilities in Bridge of Don where we can create our own youth football system.

- We have ambitious targets for growth and progression and are in detailed discussions with various boys' clubs to be adopted under the Thistle umbrella. To achieve this, we would require facilities that would allow year-round training and match facilities. The aim of the club is not to just teach about football but to also look at other aspects such as health, education and training programmes in conjunction with Club Sponsor OEM Group.

- We as a club have aspirations and goals to progress the club to the senior ranks of Scottish football in the many years to come. By being able to achieve this we can create jobs in the community, increase revenue to local businesses and give back to a community that has lacked a senior football team and support for a number of years.

- BOD doesn't have a facility to compare with Banks of Dee and Cove. However, if this was achievable it would allow the above plans and goals to be achieved, where we could finally become a fully operational community club based in Bridge of Don.

Less specific to the football club, through working with young people, we are aware of the challenges they face in finding homes that they can afford, to allow them to stay within the Bridge of Don. Often they have to move elsewhere in the city or indeed out of the city, which impacts their family lives and undermines what should be a multi-generational community in the Bridge of Don. The substantial affordable housing this site will offer is welcome as is the additional investment in the proposed play areas, parks, shops and cafes, as well as the community meeting space.

The negative social consequences of a lack of facilities for young people are well documented and are now regularly linked to such undesirable outcomes as knife crime and gang culture. It is therefore vital that opportunities such as this are grasped with both hands, to encourage community spirit and provide inclusive and productive pastime opportunities for young people.

Bridge of Don Thistle Junior Football Club would urge Aberdeen City Council to include Cloverhill as a preferred site for housing, in order to crystallise a fantastic opportunity for the club, as well as the wider Bridge of Don area.