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Aberdeen Local Development Plan Review

Pre- Main Issues Report Questionnaire 2013

Aberdeen City Council is currently in the early stages of reviewing the Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2012 (ALDP). The 2013 Development Plan Scheme provides a timetable for the review of the ALDP and the opportunities to participate throughout the process.

It is available to view online at: www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/localdevelopmentplan

This questionnaire forms part of the pre-Main Issues Report consultation activities we are undertaking. It is designed to gather views on the main planning issues in Aberdeen to be considered by the next ALDP.

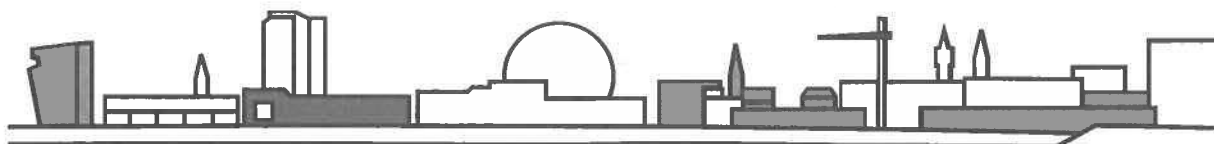
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A separate form for submitting development sites for consideration can be found on our website at: www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/localdevelopmentplan



1. YOUR DETAILS

1.1 Please let us know the capacity in which you are completing this questionnaire. Are you...

- A member of the public
- A community representative
e.g Community Council

If yes, which area do you represent?

- CULTER; VICE CHAIR + PLANNING SUB-GROUP
A developer/ their agent
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- From a Key Agency
- Other

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Name and Organisation:

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Telephone:

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2. ABERDEEN'S MAIN PLANNING ISSUES

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2.1 What do you think are the most important things that make Aberdeen a good place to live, visit and/or work?

- ① OIL & ENERGY INDUSTRY FOCUS + STRUCTURE
- ② TOURISM/OUTDOOR PURSUITS/SCENERY/FACILITIES
- ③ HOUSING & EDUCATION STANDARDS
- ④ ACCESSIBILITY & COMMUNICATIONS.

2.2 What do you think should be the Council's top priorities for the next Aberdeen Local Development Plan?

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- ② ENTRY LEVEL AFFORDABLE FAMILY HOUSING (2-3-4 BED FOR EXPANDING FAMILIES)
- ③ COMMUNICATIONS; ACCESS-TRANSPORT & HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT.

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Policy Topic Areas

What do you think should be our main planning priorities for...

- 2.4 ...the City Centre? (For example, what should the role of Union Street be? Does the City Centre have all the uses we want, or should there be more uses there - and if so where could they go?)

CITY CENTRE SHOULD FEATURE & PRESERVE ITS HISTORIC BUILDINGS & FOCUS ON RENEWAL OF UNION ST WITH UPGRADED UNION TERRACE GARDENS. CONSIDER PEDESTRIAN & PUBLIC TRANS. ACCESS ONLY WITH "OFF PEAK" DELIVERY 'WINDOWS' FOR COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC. FOCUS ON SMALLER HIGH CLASS SHOPS, CAFES, RESTAURANTS + SPECIALITY MARKERS.

2.5 ...providing infrastructure? (For example, how should new infrastructure be provided and how might it be paid for?)

INFRASTRUCTURE SHOULD BE OF HIGHEST QUALITY; LEAD OTHER DEVELOPMENTS; BE FUNDED BY MIX OF CENTRAL GOVT TAX GENERATED FUNDING + "PLANNING GAIN" FROM DEVELOPERS & INVESTORS.

- 2.6 ...transport and accessibility? (For example, how can we make it easier to travel in and around Aberdeen? Should we look at pedestrianisation in the City Centre?)

MODERN TRANSPORT NETWORK BASED ON TRAMS / DRIVERLESS ELECTRIC SHUTTLE TRAINS OR MONORAIL SYSTEMS CONNECTING KEY AREAS SUCH AS BUSINESS PARKS / AIRPORT / FERRY TERMINALS / HARBOUR / COMMERCIAL CENTRE & KEY TRANSPORT "HUBS" TO RURAL AREAS (WITH PARK & RIDE ETC) + KEY HOUSING SUBURBS.

- 2.7 ...ensuring we have high quality buildings and places? (For example, how can we better protect our built heritage and ensure high quality and sympathetic architecture and landscape design?)

RENOVATE & FEATURE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE IN 'PROTECTED' ZONES SUCH AS OLD ABERDEEN, BRIG OF BALGONNIE; LOWER UNION ST / UNION TERRACE & ENVIRONS; FIFTY ETC. SURROUND WITH UPGRADED / NEW DEV. TO HIGH SUSTAINABLE STANDARD OWNED & MANAGED BY CITY & LEASED TO BUSINESS.

- 2.8 ...meeting the needs of business and industry? (For example, what can be done to retain existing businesses and attract new employment opportunities to Aberdeen?)

UPGRADE INFRASTRUCTURE; COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK & TRANSPORT SYSTEMS TO "BEST IN WORLD CLASS". MAKE VARIABLE FLEXIBLE PROPERTY & FACILITIES AVAILABLE ON LEASE BASIS WITH ACCESS TO HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION & AFFORDABLE FAMILY HOUSING

- 2.9 ...meeting Aberdeen's housing and community needs? (For example, how can we meet the needs of people who cannot afford mainstream housing?)

WE MUST FOCUS BUILDING EFFORT ON AFFORDABLE ENTRY LEVEL & DEVELOPING FAMILY UNIT NEEDS FOR 2-3-4 BED HOUSES IN THE CURRENT PRICE RANGE OF £200K TO £300K. LOOK SERIOUSLY AT LARGE SCALE CITY-WIDE PUBLICALLY & GOVT. FINANCED BUILDING PROGRAMS WHICH THEN PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY FAMILY ACCOMMODATION ON LEASE / LEASE PURCHASE / RENTAL PURCHASE OR MORTGAGE ENABLED BASIS

2.10 ...supporting retail centres across Aberdeen?
(For example, should we be safeguarding existing centres, and what are your thoughts on new out-of-town retail parks?)

BRING THE 'HEART' BACK INTO TOWN & VILLAGES BY SUPPORTING SMALL TO MEDIUM SIZED & COOPERATIVE RETAIL OUTLETS DO NOT PROLIFERATE MORE COMPETING "OUT OF TOWN" CENTRES WITH HIGH CARBON FOOTPRINTS & TRANSPORT ISSUES

2.11 ...protecting and enhancing the natural environment and preventing flooding?
(For example, what areas or features should we be safeguarding?)

INVEST IN INFRASTRUCTURE (DRAINAGE, SEWAGE, WATER, COMMUNICATIONS, ROADS ETC) BEFORE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT USING MIX OF GOVT (TAX RAISED) & PRIVATE FUNDING (INCENTIVE FOR DEVELOPMENT ON SUSTAINABLE BASIS). PROTECT &

RESTORE NATURAL WATERWAYS BY INCORPORATING EVAPORATION & SOAK-AWAY INTO ALL DEVELOPMENT. OVERHAUL & UPGRADE EXISTING INADEQUATE POORLY MAINTAINED COMBINED SYSTEMS WHICH DISCHARGE OVERFLOW FLOOD WASTE TO OUR RIVERS

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COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES SHOULD BE WITH US BY NO LATER THAN 14 JUNE 2013.

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 email address



2.12 ...ensuring that resources and waste are managed sustainably?
(For example, can we make more innovative use of waste as a resource? Should we encourage renewable energy use? How could we do these things?)

SEE 2.11. + 100% RECYCLING GOAL... EXPAND COLLECTIONS TO INCLUDE FULLY SEGREGATED WASTE; EXPAND COMPOSTING ON-SITE BIO-DEGRADING DISPOSAL & RECYCLING OF E.G. FOOD & DOG WASTE, COLLECT & RECYCLE ALL PLASTICS & SOLIDS TEXTILES ETC. TECHNOLOGY IS AVAILABLE & WE SHOULD USE / ENFORCE ITS USE.

2.13 If you have any views on topics not covered above, please write them below.

OUR GREEN SPACES, GLORIOUS VIEWS & SCENERY ARE A MOST IMPORTANT & VALUABLE PART OF OUR HERITAGE. HOME TO EXCEPTIONAL WILD-LIFE & BIO-DIVERSITY. RICH IN AGRICULTURE & OUTDOOR PURSUIT OPPORTUNITY. SOURCE OF GREAT TOURIST INCOME & NATURAL WEALTH. DO NOT DETRACT BY STREAM-ROLLIN THROUGH CONSTRUCTION OF MASSIVE SUBSIDISED WIND TURBINES & POWER LINES

THERE ARE MANY MORE SUITABLE & AFFORDABLE / SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVES WHEN THE FULL ECONOMIC & CULTURAL / SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS ARE PROPERLY DONE.