

5. Site Details		
5.1	<p>What name would you like the site to be known by?</p> <p>(Please note if the site is currently included within the ALDP2017 please use the OP site number)</p>	Land adjacent to Site OP21 Rowett South
5.2	Site Address	Opposite Christie Grange, Newhills, Aberdeen
5.3	Postcode	Approx. AB21 9SE
5.4	<p>Have you any information for the site on the internet? If so please provide the web address:</p>	<p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Details:</p>
5.5	<p>Is the site currently being marketed?</p>	<p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Details: N/A the site is under option to a housebuilder</p>
5.6	<p>Site Location Map</p> <p>(Please include an OS Map with the Boundary of the site clearly marked)</p>	Details: refer to attached plan
5.7	Please provide the National Grid reference of the site.	
5.8	What is the current use of the site?	Plantation forestry
5.9	<p>Has there been any previous development on the site? If yes please provide details</p>	<p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Details:</p>

6. Legal and Planning History			
6.1	Please indicate the relationship to the Proposer or Person / Organisation they are working on behalf of, has with the site.	Sole owner	
		Part owner	
		Option to purchase	X
		No legal interest	
6.2	Is the site under option to a developer?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / <input type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.3	Is the proposed site included in the ALDP2017?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details: It is coterminous with Site OP21	
6.4	Is the proposed site included in the Aberdeen City Centre Masterplan?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.5	Has the site been subject of previous discussions with the Council or any agent there of?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.6	Has the site been subject of previous Planning Applications? (Please provide a planning reference)	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.7	Has the site been subject of a previous Bid to a previous LDP? (Please provide the bid reference number)	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.8	Are there any legal restrictions on the title deeds such as rights of way, way leaves etc.	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
6.9	Are there any other legal factors that might prevent or restrict development? (e.g. ransom strips / issues with accessing the site etc.)	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details: The site has direct road frontage	

7.	Your Proposal (Please provide as much detail as possible on your site proposal)		
7.1	Proposed Use	Housing	X
		Employment	
		Mixed Use	
		Retail	
		Other (Please Specify)	
7.2	Do you have a specific occupier in mind for the site?	Yes / No Details: N/A	
7.3	Site Area (hectares)	3.84 ha	
	Housing		
7.4	Approx. no of units.	50-100 homes	
7.5	Proposed Mix and Number (Number of Flats / Terraced / Semi-detached / detached etc.)	A range of detached and semi-detached homes will be provided	
7.6	Affordable Housing Percentage	25% or other such amount as required by policy at the time of development	
7.7	Affordable Housing Partner (Details of any partner organisation, Registered Social Landlord etc.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: details will be submitted as part of a future planning application	
7.8	Tenure (Details of tenure type, Private Rental Sector / private sale / Housing for the elderly etc.)	The homes will be for private sale and affordable housing.	
	Employment		
7.9	Business and Office	m ²	
7.10	General Industrial	m ²	
7.11	Storage and distribution	m ²	
7.12	Other Please specify	m ²	
	Mixed Use (Please provide as much detail as possible on each use class)		
7.13	Housing	No of units and type:-	
7.14	Employment	m ²	
7.15	Retail	m ²	
	Retail		
7.16	Approx. floor area	m ²	

	Other (Please Specify examples could include retailing, tourism, renewable energy, sports, leisure and recreation, institutions and education.)	
7.17	Details of proposal	
7.18	Approx. floor area	m ²

8.	Engagement and Delivery	
8.1	Has the local community been given the opportunity to influence/partake in the development proposal?	<p>If there has been any community engagement please provide details of the way in which it was carried out and how it has influenced your proposals. If no consultation has yet taken place please detail how you will do so in the future.</p> <p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:</p>
8.2	Will the proposed development be phased?	<p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:</p>
8.3	Expected development start post adoption of the plan in 2022	Year, 0-5
8.4	Expected development completion	Year, 6-10
8.5	Is finance in place and if so what form? (Secured Loan, Grant Funding etc.)	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: Funding will be available for this development</p>
8.6	Are there any other issues with the delivery of the site that we should be made aware of? (These should include any issues which may prevent or impact on the deliverability of the site.)	<p>Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details: The site is deliverable.</p>

9.	Sustainable Development and Design		
9.1	Have you applied principles of sustainable siting and design to your site? The City Council has produced a Sustainability Checklist which provides guidance on the principles of sustainable siting and design and other issues which can be found on www.aberdeencity.gov.uk . Please provide the following information:		
	Orientation		
9.2	Exposure:- (does the site currently have)	Little shelter from northerly winds	
		Some shelter from northerly winds	
		Good shelter from northerly winds	X
9.3	Aspect:- (is the site mainly)	North facing	
		East or west facing	
		South, south west or south east facing	X
9.4	Slope:- (do any parts of the site have a gradient greater than 1 in 12?)	Yes	
		If yes approx. what area (hectares or %)	
		No	X
	Flooding & Drainage		
9.5	Flooding (is any part of the site at risk of flooding or has it previous flooded, if so provide detail You can view the SEPA flood maps at http://map.sepa.org.uk/floodmap/map.htm)	Yes (If yes please use the SEPA flood maps to determine the risk)	
		Little or No Risk	
		Low to Medium Risk	
		Medium to High Risk	
		If yes approx. what area (hectares or %)	
		No	X
9.6	Has a flooding strategy been developed for the site?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details: N/A	
9.7	Have discussions been had with the Council's flooding team?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details: N/A	
9.8	Have discussion been had with Scottish Water?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: as part of SW monthly updates.	
9.9	Is there waste water capacity for the proposed development? http://www.scottishwater.co.uk/business/Connections/Connecting-your-property/Asset-Capacity-Search)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: Connections will be required but capacity is available	
9.10	Is there water capacity for the proposed development?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: Connections will be required but capacity is available	

	http://www.scottishwater.co.uk/business/Connections/Connecting-your-property/Asset-Capacity-Search)?		
	Land Use, Built and Cultural Heritage		
9.11	Built and Cultural Heritage (would the development of the site lead to the loss or disturbance of archaeological sites or vernacular or listed buildings?)	Significant loss or disturbance	
		Some potential loss or disturbance	
		No loss or disturbance	X
9.12	Natural conservation (would the development of the site lead to the loss or disturbance of wildlife habitats or species?)	Significant loss or disturbance	
		Some potential loss or disturbance	X
		No loss or disturbance	
9.13	Landscape features (would the development of the site lead to the loss or disturbance of linear and group features of woods, tree belts, hedges and stone walls?)	Significant loss or disturbance	
		Some potential loss or disturbance	X however this would occur when trees are felled in any event
		No loss or disturbance	
9.14	Landscape fit (would the development be intrusive into the surrounding landscape?)	Significant intrusion	
		Slight intrusion	X see paper apart
		No intrusion	
9.15	Relationship to existing settlements (how well related will the development be to existing settlements?)	Unrelated (essentially a new settlement)	
		Partially related	
		Well related to existing settlement	X well related to OP21
9.16	Land use mix (will the development contribute to a balance of land uses, or provide the impetus for attracting new facilities?)	No contribution	
		Some contribution	X
		Significant contribution	
9.17	Contamination (are there any contamination or waste tipping issues with the site?)	Significant contamination or tipping present	
		Some potential contamination or tipping present	
		No contamination or tipping present	X

9.18	Will the site impact on any water courses?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:			
9.19	Does the development site contain carbon-rich soils or peatland? http://www.snh.gov.uk/planning-and-development/advice-for-planners-and-developers/soils-and-development/cpp/	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:			
9.20	Is the development site within the airport safety exclusion zone?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:			
9.21	Is the development site within the airport 57dB LAeq noise contours?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:			
9.22	Land use conflict (would the development conflict with adjoining land uses or have any air quality or noise issues?)	Significant conflict			
		Some potential conflict			
		No conflict		X	
9.23	If there are significant conflicts, what mitigation measures are proposed?	Details: N/A			
Transport and Accessibility					
9.24	Has contact been made with the Council's transport team?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: Initial discussions have taken place.			
9.25	Is access required onto a Trunk road and if so has contact been made with Transport Scotland?	Yes / No Details: N/A			
9.26	Accessibility (is the site currently accessible to bus, rail, or major road network?)		Bus Route	Rail Station	Major Road
		More than 800m		X	
		Between 400-800m	X		X
		Within 400m			
9.27	Proximity to services and facilities (How close are any of the following?)		400m	400-800m	>800m
		Community facilities		X	
		Local shops		X	
		Sports facilities		X	
		Public transport networks		X	
		Primary schools		X	
9.28	Footpath and cycle connections (are there any existing direct footpath and cycle connections to	No available connections			
		Limited range of connections			X but these will be enhanced through development of OP21

	community and recreation facilities or employment? Give the Core Path number if core path is present https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/environment/core-paths-plan)	Good range of connections	
9.29	Proximity to employment opportunities (are there any existing employment opportunities within 1.6km for people using or living in the development you propose?)	None	
		Limited	
		Significant	X
	Infrastructure		
9.30	Physical Infrastructure (does the site have connections to the following utilities?)	Electricity	Yes
		Gas	Yes
9.31	Does the development have access to high speed broadband?	Unsure Details: This will be included as part of the development	
9.32	Does the development include a Heat Network/District Heating Scheme?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
9.33	How is the development proposing to satisfy the Councils Low and Zero Carbon Policy?	Details: The development will firstly consider a “fabric first” approach to reduce the amount of energy generated from the development. Thereafter technologies appropriate at the time of the development.	
9.34	Are there any further physical or service infrastructure issues affecting the site?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:	
	Public open space		
9.35	Will the site provide the required level of open space as per the current LDP (Please provide details of your calculations)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: This will be designed into the layout of development	
9.36	What impact will the development have on the Green Space Network?	Enhance the Network	
		No impact on the Network	X
		Negatively impact the Network	
		Please justify your response: The removal of the site from the Green Space Network will have no impact on the Network as a result of its scale. Arguably the network will be enhanced by better footpath networks to and through it.	

10.	Education	
10.1	Have discussions been had with the Council's Education Department?	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:
10.2	Is there currently education capacity for the proposed development? https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/education-and-childcare/schools-and-education/schools-pupil-roll-forecasts	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: The site is located near to the Primary School proposed as part of the Newhills Masterplan

11.	Community benefits	
	Community benefits can include new community facilities (such as local shops, health, education, leisure and community facilities), affordable housing, green transport links and open spaces. Include elements which you anticipate may be required as developer contributions from the development. (Please note, specific contributions will have to be negotiated with the Council on the basis of the proposal.)	
11.1	Does the development proposal give any benefits to the community? If so what benefits does the development bring, and how would they likely be delivered?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes / No Details: Appropriate developer contributions will be made.

12.	Masterplan Development Framework	
12.1	If you have prepared a framework or masterplan showing a possible layout for the site, please include it with this form.	Yes / <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Details:

13.	Additional attachments		
	No site is going to be perfect and the checklist above will inevitably raise some potential negative impacts from any development. Where negative impacts are identified, please provide details of their nature and extent and of any mitigation that may be undertaken. Listed below are examples of further information that may be included in your submission;		
		Included	Not Applicable
13.1	Contamination Report		X
13.2	Flood Risk Assessment		X
13.3	Drainage Impact Assessment		X
13.4	Habitat/Biodiversity Assessment		X

13.5	Landscape Assessment		X
13.6	Transport Assessment		X
13.7	Other as applicable (e.g. trees, noise, dust, smell, retail impact assessment etc. please state)		X

14.	Development Viability		
14.1	Taking into account all the information provided above, and the requirements of the Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2017 and supporting Supplementary Guidance, please confirm that you have assessed the financial viability of your proposed development and found it to be viable for development in the timeframe set out above.	I confirm that I consider the site to be viable as per the details provided above.	X
		Please provide details of viability: We can confirm we have run a development viability and the site is deliverable.	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF BID

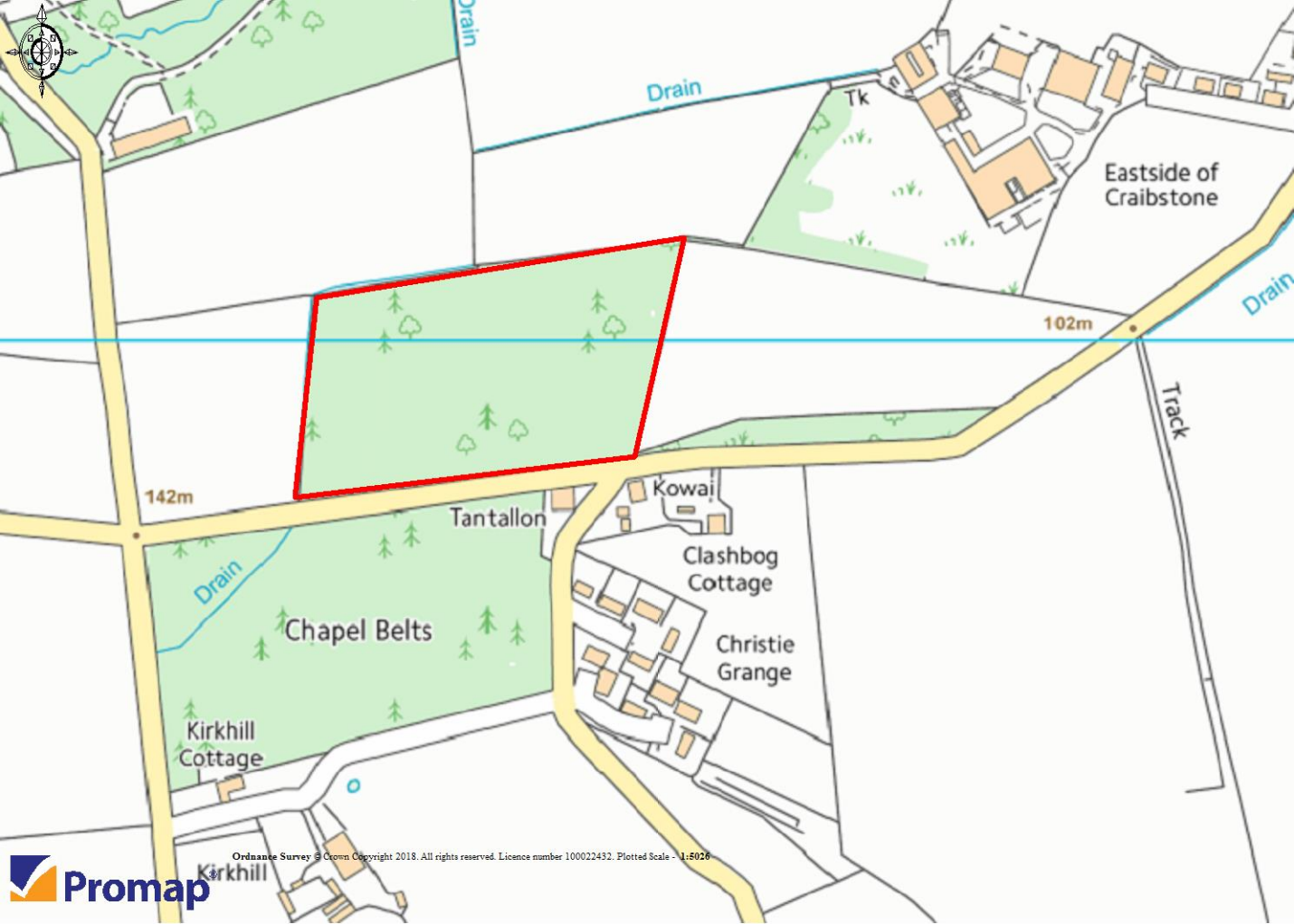
The site is located immediately adjacent to the site known as OP21 and is immediately adjacent to, and indeed is framed by, the site boundary of the Newhills Development Framework. The site forms an obvious omission from the Development Framework area and was only excluded because it was not owned by the University of Aberdeen. The site is a commercial forestry plantation and has reached maturity and is due to be harvested. It would be appropriate to include the site for development now to allow development to be appropriately planned.



The site is well related to a number of facilities in the masterplan including a primary school and areas of mixed use. The site will also be within walking distance of the proposed public transport routes. The area surrounding the site is planned for development early in the Newhills development and early release of this proposal site is therefore recommended to consider the appropriate planning of the site.

The site, although zoned as Green Belt, contributes little to the setting of Aberdeen. The planned urban expansion at Newhills will fundamentally alter the character of this area. This bid must therefore be considered in the context of that urban expansion in landscape terms as well as in terms of access to facilities, services and sustainable transportation networks. The removal of the site from the green belt will not be to the overall detriment of the greenbelt. Good planning suggests that boundaries are not drawn too tightly around settlements. Green belts should not artificially restrict growth but should ensure that growth is directed towards the best locations. The development of Newhills Community has been established by the adopted local development plan as a good location to accommodate growth. As such, this site would be more productive if it is added to the Newhills (OP21) boundary for development rather than remaining as Green Belt.

In terms of the Green Space Network, the Newhills Development Framework provides opportunities for recreation, community access etc. These areas will provide a high level of amenity for existing and new residents and result in the creation of an attractive, sustainable and high quality place. These will be more meaningful to the green space network than commercial plantation which is due to be harvested.



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