



# Aberdeen Local Development Plan Review

## Pre- Main Issues Report Questionnaire 2018

Aberdeen City Council is currently in the early stages of reviewing the Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2017(ALDP). The 2018 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](http://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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For further information on how your information is used, how ACC maintain the security of your information, and your rights to access information ACC holds about you, please contact Andrew Brownrigg, Team Leader, Local Development Plan Team, Strategic Place Planning, Aberdeen City Council, Business Hub 4 Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen AB10 1AB.

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

**Our consultation runs from the 19th March to the 8th of May 2018.  
Please note the deadline has been extended to Monday 28th May 2018.**



## 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?

- A developer/ their agent
- A landowner/ their agent
- From a Key Agency
- Other

1.2 Please provide your name and contact details:

Name and Organisation:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

1.3 If you are acting as an agent or completing this on behalf of an organisation, group or landowner, please provide their details:

Organisation/group/landowner:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

## 2. ABERDEEN'S MAIN PLANNING ISSUES

Feel free to continue on separate sheets if necessary and attach to the questionnaire. You do not have to answer every question.

### Vision

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

NOTHING SPECIFIC! BUT WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER CITIES ABERDEEN LACKS ATTRACTIONS AND THE DYNAMICS THAT MAKE E.G. EDINBURGH, DUNDEE GLASGOW OR PLACES THAT PEOPLE WANT TO GO TO AND TALK ABOUT.

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

TO PROCEED ACTUALLY WITH DEVELOPMENTS IDENTIFIED IN E.G. THE CITY CENTRE MASTERPLAN.

2.3 Do you have any particular aspirations for your community or Aberdeen as a whole that you think should be taken forward through the ALDP? For example, what are your views on recycling of waste, affordable housing, access to green space or ways to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions?

NO; THESE ARE TECHNICAL ISSUES WHICH HAVE TO BE MET AS PART OF PROCESSES OR GOVERNMENT POLICIES BEYOND PLANNING AND SHOULD NOT LEAD NOR INFLUENCE PLANNING

## 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 ; BUT NOT JUST UNION ST.  
THE COUNCIL SHOULD DO WHAT EVER IS POSSIBLE TO PROMOTE ACTUALLY / PHYSICALLY WITH DEVELOPMENTS IDENTIFIED IN THE CITY CENTRE MASTER-PLAN AS WELL AS ADOPTING A 'LIGHT TOUCH' ON THE MANY SMALLER DEVELOPMENTS + PARTICULARLY SO WHEN THEY INTRODUCE MORE HOUSING.

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

THEY SHOULD SIMPLY COMPLETE THE PROJECTS INITIATED SOME YEARS AGO  
IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO INTRODUCE OR TINKER WITH EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE  
  
PROVIDE SUPERFAST BROADBAND

- 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?)

PEDESTRIANISATION IS NOT A PANACEA FOR ACCESSIBILITY.  
A.C.C SHOULD ACTIVELY ENCOURAGE COMPETITION IN THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK (ANOTHER BUS CO) TO REDUCE COSTS AS FIRST BUS ARE VERY EXPENSIVE COMPARED TO OTHER CITIES.

- 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?)

BOTH CAN BE ACHIEVED ;  
WE SHOULD ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE HIGH QUALITY BUILDINGS / ARCHITECTURE  
THE BULK OF THE BUILT HERITAGE IS ALREADY PROTECTED BUT SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO BE REDEVELOPED EASILY.  
  
THERE ARE FEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR LANDSCAPE DESIGN WITHIN THE CITY CENTRE

- 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?)

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT ALL ROUND  
SEE ANSWER TO 2.1 ABERDEEN HAS NO REAL FOCUS, NO STAC ATTRACTIONS SO IF PEOPLE ARE IN A POSITION OF CHOICE OTHER CITIES WILL 'WIN' / PEOPLE WILL MOVE FROM ABERDEEN  
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AWAY

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

ALLOW MUCH MORE TO BE BUILT WITHIN THE CITY CENTRE AND AT THE SAME TIME ENCOURAGE A BROAD RANGE OF TENURE TO INCLUDE FAMILY HOMES  
! NOT JUST 2 BED FLATS ALL THE TIME

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?)

NO MORE OUT OF TOWN RETAIL PARKS SHOULD BE ALLOWED ANYWHERE.

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?)

A NATIONAL STRATEGY SHOULD BE ADOPTED/ADOPTED TO AVOID DIFFERENT COUNCILS HAVING DIFFERENT STRATEGIES.

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

NO VIEWS ON THIS

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

WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO SHAKE OFF THE LABEL "THAT ABERDEEN IS WHERE ARCHITECTURE COMES TO DIE ...".

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Please return completed questionnaires to:

**Local Development Plan Team**  
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You can also visit the Aberdeen Local Development Plan Facebook page.

**COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES SHOULD BE WITH US BY NO LATER THAN 28 MAY 2018.**

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