

Proposed Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2015 Representation Form

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Policy/Site/Issue	Policy D4 - Historic Environment	Paragraph(s)	2 and 4.

What would you like to say about the issue?

Historic Scotland consider that Policy D4 would benefit from a more explicit statement of the Council's policy with regard to listed buildings. While the referencing of national policy on this matter is welcomed we have taken the main policy driver of the suite of guidance and embedded it within Policy D4.

Furthermore, we consider that reference to archaeology and scheduled monuments in paragraph 2 should be removed as this is adequately covered in paragraph 3. Finally, paragraph 4 is unnecessary as it repeats the content of the second bullet point of paragraph 3, and should therefore be removed.

What change would you like to see made?

Policy D4 should be changed to reflect the suggested changes alluded to above. It should read as follows:

Policy D4 - Historic Environment

"The Council will protect, preserve and enhance the historic environment in line with Scottish Planning Policy, SHEP, its own Supplementary Guidance and Conservation Area Character Appraisals and Management Plan.

There will be a presumption in favour of the retention and reuse of listed buildings and buildings within conservation areas that contribute to its character. In assessing development proposals the Council support high quality design that respects the character, appearance and setting of the historic environment and protects the special architectural or historic interest of its listed buildings, conservation areas and historic gardens and designed landscapes.

The physical in situ preservation of all scheduled monuments and archaeological sites will be supported. Developments that would adversely impact upon archaeological remains, including battlefields, of either national or local importance, or on their setting will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances, where there is no practical alternative site and where there are imperative reasons of over-riding public need.

In any such case, the applicant must at their own expense:

- take satisfactory steps to mitigate adverse development impacts; and
- where the preservation of the site in its original location is not possible, arrange for the full excavation, recording and publication/curation of the site in advance of development.

Further guidance can be found within the supplementary guidance and technical advice notes listed in Appendix 6".

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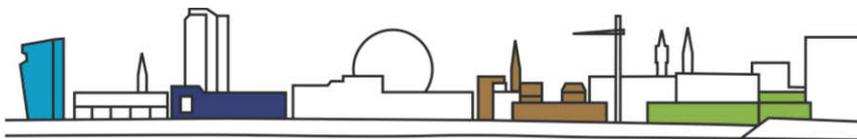
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Policy/Site/Issue	Policy D5 - Our Granite Heritage	Paragraph(s)	2

What would you like to say about the issue?

Historic Scotland note from the monitoring statement of the previous Local Development Plan (LDP) that the existing Granite Heritage policy “requires to be modified to provide assessment criteria for proposals where demolition is intended and also requires to be clearer on the appropriate reuse of granite in replacement proposals.”

Our response to the LDP Main Issues Report noted that a “more tailored set of criteria can be found to better serve local decision making for undesignated buildings and structures” that fall within this policy. However, upon assessment of the Proposed LDP we consider that paragraph 2 of the Policy D5 does not adequately set out criteria that cover the policy at large but relates only to those designated heritage assets covered by Policy D4: Historic Environment.

We request that Policy D5 is amended to clearly set out a more tailored set of criteria in order to maximise the benefits this policy will bring.

What change would you like to see made?

We request that paragraph 2 of Policy D5 is amended to provide clearer assessment criteria that reflects the aims of this policy.

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