



Local Development Plan 2032

Draft Plan Strategy

Representation Form

Please complete this representation form online and email to LDP@lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk or alternatively print and post a hardcopy to:-

Local Development Plan Team
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council
Lagan Valley Island
Lisburn
BT27 4RL

All representations must be received no later that 5pm on the 10th January 2020

SECTION A: YOUR DETAILS

Please tick one of the following:-

- Individual
 Planning Consultant / Agent
 Public Sector / Body
 Voluntary / Community Group
 Other

First Name

Last Name

Details of Organisation / Body

Address

Postcode

Email Address

Phone Number

Consent to Publish Response

Under planning legislation we are required to publish responses received in response to the Plan Strategy, however you may opt to have your response published anonymously should you wish.

Even if you opt for your representation to be published anonymously, we still have a legal duty to share your contact details with the Department for Infrastructure and the Independent Examiner appointed to oversee the examination in public into the soundness of the Plan Strategy. This will be done in accordance with the privacy statement detailed in Section C.

- Please publish **without** my identifying information
- Please publish with only my Organisation
- Please publish with my Name and Organisation

SECTION B: YOUR REPRESENTATION

Please set out your comments in full. This will help the independent examiner understand the issues you raise. ***You will only be permitted to submit further additional information to the Independent Examiner if the Independent Examiner invites you to do so.***

What is your view on the Plan Strategy?

- I believe it to be **SOUND**

If you consider the Draft Plan Strategy to be **sound**, and wish to support the Plan Strategy, please set out your comments below:-

The attached document details comments from the Department

(If submitting a hardcopy & additional space is required, please continue on a separate sheet)

OR

I believe it to be **UNSOUND**

PLAN COMPONENT - To which part of the Plan Strategy does your comment relate?

IF YOU WISH TO SUBMIT ANY FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS, PLEASE COMPLETE SECTION B FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL ISSUE

Part 1 – Plan Strategy

- Chapter 1 - Introduction
- Chapter 2 - Policy & Spatial Context
- Chapter 3 - Vision & Plan Objectives
- Chapter 4 - Strategic Policies and Spatial Strategy
- Chapter 4A - Enabling Sustainable Communities & Delivery of New Homes
- Chapter 4B - Driving Sustainable Economic Growth
- Chapter 4C - Growing our City, Town Centres, Retailing & Other Uses
- Chapter 4D - Promoting Sustainable Tourism, Open Space, Sport & Outdoor Recreation
- Chapter 4E - Protecting & Enhancing the Historic & Natural Environment
- Chapter 4F - Supporting Sustainable Transport & Other Infrastructure
- Chapter 5 - Monitoring & Review

Part 2 –Operational Policies

Operational Policy (*Please State Individual Policy using Policy Reference e.g. HOU 1*)

SOUNDNESS TEST:

Please identify which test(s) of soundness your representation relates to, having regard to Development Plan Practice Note 6 (available on the Planning Portal website at <https://www.planningni.gov.uk/index/s/development-plan-practice-note-06-soundness-version-2-may-2017.pdf>)

- P1 Has the Plan Strategy been prepared in accordance with the council’s timetable and the Statement of Community Involvement?**
- P2 Has the council prepared its Preferred Options Paper and taken into account any representations made?**
- P3 Has the Plan Strategy been subject to sustainability appraisal including Strategic Environmental Assessment?**
- P4 Did the Council comply with the regulations on the form and content of its Draft Plan Strategy and procedure for preparing the Draft Plan Strategy?**
- C1 Did the Council take account of the Regional Development Strategy?**
- C2 Did the Council take account of its Community Plan?**
- C3 Did the Council take account of policy and guidance issued by the Department?**
- C4 Has the plan had regard to other relevant plans, policies and strategies relating to the council’s district or to any adjoining council’s district?**
- CE1 Does the Plan Strategy set out a coherent strategy from which its policies & allocations logically flow & where cross boundary issues are relevant it is not in conflict with the Plan Strategies of neighbouring councils?**
- CE2 Are the strategy, policies and allocations realistic and appropriate having considered the relevant alternatives and are founded on a robust evidence base?**
- CE3 Are there clear mechanisms for implementation and monitoring?**
- CE4 Is it reasonably flexible to enable it to deal with changing circumstances?**

DETAILS

Please give details of why you consider the Plan Strategy to be **unsound** having regard to the test(s) you have identified above. Please be as precise as possible.

(If submitting a hardcopy & additional space is required, please continue on a separate sheet)

MODIFICATIONS

If you consider the Plan Strategy to be **unsound**, please provide details of what changes you consider necessary to make the Plan Strategy sound.

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I wish to attach supporting information with my representation e.g. map

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SECTION C: DEALING WITH YOUR REPRESENTATION

Please indicate how you would like your representation to be dealt with.



Written Representation



Oral Representation

Please note that the Independent Examiner will be expected to give the same careful consideration to written representations as to those representations dealt with by oral hearing.

SECTION D: DATA PROTECTION

In accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018, Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council has a duty to protect any information we hold on you. The personal information you provide on this form will only be used for the purpose of Plan Preparation and will not be shared with any third party unless law or regulation compels such a disclosure.

It should also be noted that in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Council must make a copy of any representation available for inspection. The Council is also required to submit the representations to the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) as they will be considered as part of the Independent Examination process. For further guidance on how we hold your information please visit the privacy section at www.lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk/information/privacy

By proceeding and signing this representation you confirm that you have read and understand the privacy notice above and give your consent for Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council to hold your personal data for the purposes outlined.

Please note that when you make a representation (or counter-representation) to the Local Development Plan your personal information (with the exception of personal telephone numbers, signatures, email addresses or sensitive personal data) will be made publicly available on the council's website. Copies of all representations will be provided to DfI and an Independent Examiner (a third party) as part of the submission of the Local Development Plan for Independent Examination. A Programme Officer will also have access to this information during the IE stages of the Plan preparation. DfI, the Programme Officer and the Independent Examiner will, upon receipt, be responsible for the processing of your data in line with prevailing legislation. If you wish to contact the council's Data Protection Officer, please write to:

Data Protection Officer
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council,
Civic Headquarters,
Lagan Valley Island,
Lisburn,
BT27 4RL

or send an email to: data.protection@lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk or telephone: 028 9244 7300.

Signature

Date

Comments on the *Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council Local Development Plan 2032*
– *Draft Plan Strategy*

Comment - DfC Work & Health Group

Opportunities to develop new ways of working with LCCC to achieve common objectives can be realised through partnership with the Department's Employability NI Programme. The programme has been established to develop a new flexible employment offer in Northern Ireland with emphasis on tackling the barriers to employment faced by those who are economically inactive, particularly those with a disability and/or health condition, and the long term unemployed. The Programme is currently developing proposals for the new offer in partnership with a range of stakeholders including council and City Deal areas, with representation from the Belfast Region City Deal, Derry and Strabane City Deal and the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE) on the Employability NI Programme Board. The ambition of the programme is to design and deliver a flexible and local approach to the provision of employability programmes that will ultimately benefit the NI economy and citizens' well-being. Partnership with local councils, including LCCC, in the co-design and delivery of employment provision will be key to the realisation of this ambition.

We welcome this draft "Local Development Plan 2032" as an addition to the other Local Community, Corporate, and 10 Year Investment plans which have been published previously.

The Local Development Plan 2032 has a number of proposals across a wide range of areas, and we see there are a number of opportunities particularly in the areas of the Local Economy where we can work collaboratively to achieve our common aims.

It is worth noting that while this Council area is the least deprived in Northern Ireland, the NI Multiple Deprivations Measures do show that there are some SOAs where there are very high levels of economic inactivity and employment deprivation, and that while the Economic Inactivity rate is lower than the NI average there are still opportunities to grow the employment base.

This is demonstrated in several themes throughout the plan notably in "A thriving place" and associated Driving Economic Growth. It is also welcome that the plan also identifies Key Employment Areas, uses the Employment Land Review to identify that (in addition to the Strategic Mixed Use locations at West Lisburn/Blaris and Purdysburn) there are five key employment areas across the Council area in the following locations:

- a) Lisburn - Knockmore
- b) Lisburn Greater Urban Area - Derriaghy

- c) Dundonald
- d) Carryduff
- e) Newtownbreda

As outlined in the draft Programme for Government we are committed to both increasing employment and reducing economic inactivity. We see our Local Works! model playing a key role in working with the Council and other partners, pooling our collective resources, to deliver employability outcomes and wider inclusive growth. By designing and implementing employability pipelines we will be able to address the demand for Labour within the existing labour market and the employment opportunities that the Investment Plan will bring in the future.

Comment - DfC Engaged Communities Group

The close alignment with and reference throughout to the Community Plan, is an area where Libraries NI are currently engaged with the Councils and are a statutory community partner.

Historic Environment Division is a statutory consultee and will respond to the council separately

Comment DfC - Housing Urban Regeneration & local government

Chapter 4 A Vibrant Place Growing our City, Town Centres, Retailing and Other Uses - Page 94 – the reference to the Department's Comprehensive Development Scheme for Laganbank Quarter should refer to a draft plan as the development scheme was never formally adopted.

The policies identified within the draft LCCC Local Development Plan reference a number of strategies which were jointly developed between the Department and the council and are used to guide urban regeneration interventions – therefore the plan appears to be consistent with the Department's Urban Regeneration policies.

Page 94: Laganbank Quarter Comprehensive Development Scheme 2015 This scheme's main objective is to secure a comprehensive, major mixed use scheme, which would regenerate the Laganbank Quarter area of Lisburn and enhance the city centre's regional role. The scheme remains a key driver in regenerating the city centre as a whole. The aims of the scheme in relation to the city centre and retailing include: • enhancing the retail function and overall attractiveness of the city centre • enhancing the commercial leisure offer and generating a new driver for the evening economy • encouraging and strengthening links between the commercial core of the city centre and the River Lagan. The scheme recognises that Laganbank Quarter is

an important catalyst for regeneration. This Quarter is a gateway into the city centre. In relation to office development it aims to:

- provide modern, flexible office space to strengthen the office accommodation offer in the city
- introduce a mix of uses to strengthen the vitality of the city centre through increased footfall
- develop high-quality landmark buildings.

Page 94 - The draft Lisburn City Centre Masterplan Review (2019) encourages city centre living, and highlights the opportunity to provide residential accommodation in key locations, namely those with good access to local amenities and connections to other areas, or as part of mixed use development. It recognises that creating a resident population within the city centre will generate activity outside traditional business hours, to help sustain shops and services and a growing leisure industry. It also provides opportunity for affordable housing located in close proximity to existing services and amenities.

Page 95 - Castlereagh Urban Integrated Development Framework, 2014 This Framework focuses on Carryduff, Dundonald and Forestside as centres for investment, setting out a distinctive role for each. In Carryduff the redevelopment of the shopping centre is key and a mix of uses including retail, restaurants, health uses and a library are recommended. At Forestside a diverse range of businesses is proposed to balance the dominance of retail development. The retail function should act as a focus for expanding this centre with complementary uses. The Framework identifies Forestside and in particular Galwally House as an area which could support office development. Under this scheme a business hub was suggested with the possible creation of purpose built high specification office accommodation. Dundonald has three main commercial nodes at Dundonald Local Centre, Comber Road Shops and Dundonald Leisure Park. The local centre should retain its retailing function supported by local service provision. Opportunities exist to further enhance the connections between the three nodes recognising the relationship between the leisure and retailing provision.