

PROPOSED ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2020 RESPONSE FORM

As part of the production of the Local Development Plan, a 'Main Issues Report' was published in January 2019. The responses from these consultations have helped to inform the content of the Proposed Local Development Plan ("the Proposed Plan").

The Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan will direct decision-making on land-use planning issues and planning applications in Aberdeenshire for the 10-year period from 2021 to 2031. The Proposed Plan was agreed by Aberdeenshire Council in March 2020 as the settled view of the Council. However, the Proposed Plan will be subjected to an independent examination and is now open for public comment.

This is your opportunity to tell us if anything should be changed in the Proposed Plan, and why.

When writing a response to the Proposed Plan it is important to specifically state the modification(s) that you would wish to see to the Plan.

This is the only remaining opportunity to comment on the Proposed Plan. The reasons for any requested changes will be analysed and reported to Scottish Ministers. They will then appoint a person known as a Reporter to conduct a public examination of the Proposed Plan, focusing particularly on any unresolved issues and the changes sought.

Ministers expect representations (or responses) to be concise (no more than 2000 words) and accompanied by limited supporting documents. It is important to ensure that all of the information that you wish to be considered is submitted during this consultation period as there is no further opportunity to provide information, unless specifically asked.

Please email comments to ldp@aberdeenshire.gov.uk or send this form to reach us by 31 July 2020*.

We recommend that you keep a copy of your representation for your own records.

**UPDATE 16 June 2020: Consultation period was extended from 17 July 2020 for a further two-week period.*



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Please use this form to make comments on the Proposed Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2020. If you are making comments about more than one topic it would be very helpful if you could fill in **a separate response form for each issue you wish to raise**.

Please email or send the form to reach us by 31 July 2020 at the following address:

Post: Planning Policy Team, Infrastructures Services
Aberdeenshire Council, Woodhill House, Westburn Road, ABERDEEN, AB16 5GB

Email: ldp@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

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YOUR DETAILS

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Are you happy to receive future correspondence only by email? Yes ☒ No ☐

Are you responding on behalf of another person? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes who are you representing?

☐ Tick the box if you would like to subscribe to the Aberdeenshire LDP eNewsletter:

An acknowledgement will be sent to this address soon after the close of consultation.

YOUR COMMENTS

Please provide us with your comments below. We will summarise comments and in our analysis will consider every point that is made. Once we have done this we will write back to you with Aberdeenshire Council's views on the submissions made. We will publish your name as the author of the comment, but will not make your address public.

Modification that you wish to see (please make specific reference to the section of the Proposed Plan you wish to see modified if possible, for example Section 9, paragraph E1.1):

Objection to the proposed Development OP1, OP2 & OP3 in Belhelvie. Particularly OP3

Reason for change:

Transportation

There are insufficient transport links linking Belhelvie to Aberdeen or the A90 corridor north. Presently there is one bus service each hour at peak times and every two hours for the majority of the time. There is no service which links Belhelvie and Dyce and so the accessing of employment opportunities, education, social activities, medical care from Belhelvie must be done by car. There is no meaningful transport link to Aberdeen or other towns for those who need to be flexible for employment, family care, education, socialability. Belhelvie presently does not meet the 1st criteria of successful places of being well connected

Connectedness

There are no pavements, footpaths or cycle paths which lead out of or into the village. The primary mode of transport by necessity rather than choice is car. The footpaths within the village are limited and therefore this does not allow safe walking or cycling around the village itself or to connected villages. There is no way to walk or to cycle safely to any neighbouring village. Whilst there are proposals to extend a walk/cycle route from Ellon to Foveran there is no such proposal to connect Belhelvie to any neighbouring places via cycle route or paths or more particularly to Aberdeen. The lack of accessibility of the village itself therefore does not support successful and sustainable development. The current and proposed transport network does

The B roads to and from Belhelvie are narrow winding and fast and do not enable safe access to or egress from Belhelvie on foot or by bicycle. The additional 200 cars travelling to and from the village created by the proposed would increase the probability of regular and serious accident. The bottom of Cairntack Road can be a bottle neck for vehicles at busy times for instance school bus drop off times and the risks of accident caused by additional housing and car travel needs would be intensively exacerbated. This is also so as there is no education or nursery facility in the village and therefore all travel by car is necessary. There would be an increased need for a larger number of school buses to congregate in the village and to travel on the narrow connecting roads to Potterton, Balmedie and bridge of don.

Successful and sustainable

There are no facilities in the village for young families and children to access childcare or indoor leisure, exercise or meeting facilities for children. Whilst there is a playing field at the bottom of Cairntack Road it becomes waterlogged and unsuitable for play after rainy periods.

There are currently no indoor or outdoor social, sport or exercise facilities for teenagers. This is sustainable where the village remains small but will be likely to create foreseeable social issues and anti social behaviours when the number of teenagers grows with no access to facilities or outlets for recreation and poor connectivity to Aberdeen. This could foreseeably lead to an increase in underage drinking, substance misuse and vandalism as well as increased noise pollution. There are no issues of this kind in the village at present.

There are no facilities for older people in terms of a place to meet socially, or for welfare, leisure or recreation indoors. Access to medical assistance of any kind must be by car Highlighting the lack of accessibility to and from the village and the reliance on cars which is contrary to the government national objectives of successful, sustainable, connected and low carbon.

Whilst the local outcomes identified are for sustainable, mixed communities, a larger community would not have sufficient amenities or connectedness.

There is no local shop in the village. Everyone MUST travel to do a family shop or for Leisure or for sport or for work

The absolute requirement to travel to and from the village is contrary to the Scottish government objectives of being low carbon, better connected and linked accessibly, The fact that travel is and will be imperative, is contrary to the government objectives and local government outcomes related to climate change. The proposed developments at Bridge of Don, Blackdog and Balmedie should be prioritised as these developments are more naturally and geographically linked and linkable to each other along the A90 corridor and already offer better transport links providing better potential to create successful and sustainable developments.

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LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT

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- To provide public comment on the Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan. The data on the form will be used to inform Scottish Ministers and individual(s) appointed to examine the Proposed Local Development Plan 2020. It will inform the content of the Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2021.

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Members of the public are being given this final opportunity to comment on the Proposed Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan. The reasons for any changes that the Council receives will be analysed and reported to Scottish Ministers. They will then appoint a person to conduct a public examination of the Proposed Plan, focusing particularly on the unresolved issues raised and the changes sought.

Your name and respondent identification number (provided to you by Aberdeenshire Council on receipt of your

submission) will be published alongside a copy of your completed response on the Proposed Local Development Plan website (contact details and information that is deemed commercially sensitive will not be made available to the public).

In accordance with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008 where the appointed person determines that further representations should be made or further information should be provided by any person in connection with the examination of the Proposed Plan the appointed person may by notice request that person to make such further representations or to provide such further information.

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