

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 x☒ No ☐

Are you responding on behalf of another person? Yes x☐ 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):

OP5 Land south of Gardenston Street, 11 houses.

Reason for change:

AREA: The area as stated on the planning bid plan for housing land is 1.13 hectares but this does not reflect the actual land available for development .

- A) it does not reflect the area taken up by the Guagers Burn
- B) It does not reflect the 225mm sewer that runs parallel to the burn nor any land retained by Scottish Water for maintenance
- C) The loss of land required to provide a footpath and reinstate the hedge adjacent to the High Street
- D) the loss of land to facilitate the second entrance to the site from West Burnside. these factors will reduce the land available to approximately 8250 metre square.

The applicant further states the following

- E) the existing burn to be enhanced unprotected buy a landscape buffer
- F) a natural pond feature/suds arrangements to be provided
- G) structured planting to create buffer zone between existing housing and the North East corner of the site

Would this not reduce the land available by a further 2250 square metres?

The planning bid also states that 60% of the houses will be 3 bedroom, 40% to be 4 bedroom, 11 units in total. To provide open space and the necessary infrastructure would mean the houses will have a very small footprint and require to be 2 storeys to achieve the accommodation as stated. it should be noted that the surrounding properties are mainly 1 1/2 storeys single Storey or small traditional cottages

This is a gross overdevelopment of the site and will not provide a layout/design that the southern gateway to Laurencekirk requires

IMPACT:

- A) With the construction of the new entrance onto the High Street this will result in the loss of on street parking for several of the neighbouring properties.

- B) Gardenstone St has many problems, ie poor access onto the High Street, narrow or no pavement in some parts, limited on street parking. It does benefit from low traffic speed to an extent that children can still play on the street. The issue is, will traffic increase by linking Gardenstone St to the new development? Unfortunately, many of the residents are unaware of the proposals and have insufficient information to make an informed comment.
- C) The High Street already has serious traffic and parking problems and is dangerous for both cyclists and pedestrians. At the South end of the High Street the situation is aggravated with speeding vehicles coming into Laurencekirk from the A90. Surely it would be better to select some of the other planning bid sites away from the High Street at least until the High Street issues are resolved.

WILDLIFE:

- A) Guagers Burn is a natural wildlife corridor that deer use as an access route between the Garvock hill and Denlethen Woods on a regular basis. Red squirrel and foxes are also common in this area. In the trees adjacent to Helmsdale, there is a large colony of bats which can be seen feeding in the field at twilight most nights. Many species of birds can be seen around the burn and in the field therefore we look for the development plan to set aside a suitable area to protect this unique corridor.
- B) it should be noted that on OP6 site areas namely P5 and P7 to act as a wildlife corridor

CONCLUSION:

The major problem in Laurencekirk is the High Street which is under stress with the volume of traffic and the lack of parking.

The impact on the High Street from the new grade separated junction, when this happens, is likely to be considerable

We submit that this 11 house proposal as an over development of the site and is premature until a relief road is found to ease the High Street

Surely it would be back preferable to promote the other planning bid sites that could accommodate a relief road.

PRIVACY NOTICE

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

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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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