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# 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.

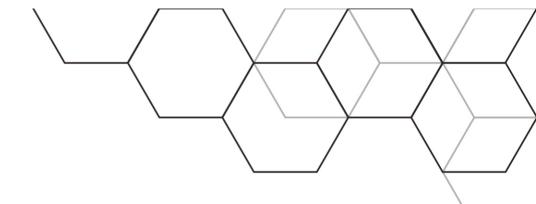
Ministers expect representations (or responses) to be concise (no more than 2000 words) and accompanied by limited supporting documents. It is important to ensure that all of the information that you wish to be considered is submitted during this consultation period as there is no further opportunity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

Please email comments to <a href="mailto:ldp@aberdeenshire.gov.uk">ldp@aberdeenshire.gov.uk</a> 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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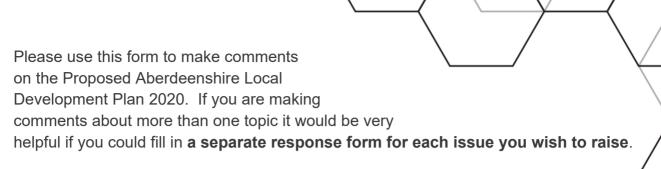
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If you wish to contact one of the area planning offices, please call 01467 534333 and ask for the relevant planning office or email planning@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.



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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Email:			
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):

**Sections 5 & 8 – Spatial Strategy and Shaping Homes and Housing** - The Proposed LDP should address the clear shortfall in the housing land supply identified by Homes for Scotland. Aberdeenshire Council should allocate a range of sites to help address this, as required of it by Scottish Planning Policy.

There should be a detailed review of the housing sites within the land supply to ensure they are effective or capable of becoming effective.

#### Reason for change:

Whilst Gladman acknowledge that the proposed Spatial Strategy for Aberdeenshire is based upon content within the Proposed Aberdeen City and Shire Strategic Development Plan 2018 (SDP) and subsequent Examination Report (2019), it is worth noting that despite the report to Scottish Ministers seeking approval in April 2020, the SDP has yet to be ratified and adopted.

There is a definite risk in preparing a Local Development Plan (LDP) based on an SDP that has not obtained formal adoption, as seen most recently when the Proposed SESplan 2 was rejected by Scottish Ministers.

As stipulated in Scottish Planning Policy (SPP) – paragraph 33, due to 5 years passing since the plan was adopted, the policies for the supply of housing are not considered to be up-to-date. Whilst SESplan could be a unique case, it is important that the PLDP acknowledges this position and does not solely rely on the Proposed SDP.

In any case, should the Proposed SDP be approved by Scottish Ministers; using the housing numbers contained within the Proposed SDP and PLDP, Aberdeenshire fails to allocate sufficient land to meet its housing land requirement.

"Table 1: Strategic Development Plan Housing and Employment Land Figures" sets out the amended housing allowances as per the Proposed SDP Examination Report. The PLDP Appendix 6 – table 1 sets out the housing allocations the Council has identified to meet the housing land allowances. The Council consider they have allocated sufficient land and in fact have a surplus of housing land. Gladman contends this position as we feel it does not accurately represent the housing land supply position in Aberdeenshire and there is in fact a shortfall in the land supply across both Housing Market Areas (HMAs) resulting in a shortfall across Authority level.

Gladman consider that the PLDP does not sufficiently ensure that existing and new allocations are effective and will be deliverable over the plan period. In line with the response provided by Homes for Scotland, it is demonstrated that many of the proposed new housing allocations are constrained within the current land supply or are part of new/larger allocations where the likelihood of them becoming effective is questioned as set out in Homes for Scotland's submission.

Gladman agree with the Homes for Scotland housing land supply position, as set out in their response to the Proposed LDP. Should this position be subject to further information requests during the Examination Process, Gladman would request the opportunity to respond.

Gladman suggests all sites contained in the housing land supply are scrutinised for effectiveness, particularly.

There is a reliance on larger housing sites to meet the housing allowances as set out in the PLDP for the period 2020-2032. In line with paragraph 119 of SPP, Aberdeenshire Council should allocate a range of effective housing sites that can be delivered in the plan period. In order to achieve this, a range of smaller housing sites, adjacent to settlements that contribute to sustainable development, will be required to augment the supply.

### PRIVACY NOTICE



# LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT

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Email: dataprotection@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Your information is being collected to use for the following purposes:

 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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It is a Statutory Obligation under Section 18 of the Town and Country (Scotland) Act 1997, as amended, for Aberdeenshire Council to prepare and publish a Proposed Local Development plan on which representations must be made to the planning authority within a prescribed period of time. Failure to provide details requested in the 'Your Details' section of this form will result in Aberdeenshire Council being unable to accept your representation.

Your information will be shared with the following recipients or categories of recipient:

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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