

26/11/2020

## Representations Received regarding Derry City & Strabane District Council Local Development Plan (LDP) Draft Plan Strategy

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Local Development Plan draft Plan Strategy (dPS) was published in December 2019, followed by a formal 8-week public consultation period until January 2020. The statutory period for the inspection of the Representations received was then commenced, to run from 5<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020, but was stopped in mid-March due to the COVID 19 outbreak and the associated closure of the Council buildings.

As you will be aware, the Council has subsequently carried out a Re-Consultation on the LDP draft Plan Strategy (due to a procedural error in the initial consultation) over the period from 11<sup>th</sup> September to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

In accordance with Regulation 17 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (NI) 2015, you are hereby notified that the Representations received regarding the LDP draft Plan Strategy and associated Sustainability Appraisal are now being made available for inspection on the Council's website: [www.derrystrabane.com/REP](http://www.derrystrabane.com/REP)

Hard copies of the Representations will also be available to view, strictly by appointment only due to COVID 19 restrictions, during normal opening hours, from **27<sup>th</sup> November 2020 to 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021** at the following Council Offices:

Derry – Council Offices, 98 Strand Rd, Derry, BT48 7NN;

Strabane – Council Offices, 47 Derry Rd, Strabane, BT82 8DY.

In accordance with Regulation 18 of the 2015 LDP Regulations, there is now the opportunity for the submission of Counter Representations. The consultation period for the submission of Counter Representations will run from Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020 to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021. Counter Representations submitted outside of this period may not be considered. A Counter Representation may be made about any site-specific Representation (defined as those that seek change by adding a site-specific policy, or altering or deleting any site-specific policy contained in the LDP Draft Plan Strategy).

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A Counter Representation must not in itself propose any change to the LDP draft Plan Strategy document. Further details on Counter Representations are on the Council's website.

All Counter Representations will be considered by the Council and will then be submitted to the Department for Infrastructure (DfI), and hence to the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC) where they will be considered as part of the Independent Examination process.

Counter Representations must state which Representation they are referring to and they should preferably be made using the Counter Representation response form, available on the Council's website [www.derrystrabane.com/REP](http://www.derrystrabane.com/REP) or in hard copy at the above Council office addresses. Completed forms should be returned as follows:

Email: [LDP@derrystrabane.com](mailto:LDP@derrystrabane.com)

In writing to: The LDP Team, Planning Department, DC&SDC, 98 Strand Rd, Derry, BT48 7NN.

Please be aware that all Counter Representations will be made publicly available, following redaction of all personal details, on the Council's website and also at the Council's offices.

I look forward to your continued interest and input to the LDP process. You can stay updated on LDP progress by visiting [www.derrystrabane.com/ldp](http://www.derrystrabane.com/ldp)

Yours sincerely,

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