

East Dunbartonshire Local Development Plan Newsletter

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Proposed Local Development Plan 2 – Council Meeting and Forthcoming Consultation

Following consultation on the [Main Issues Report](#) at the end of 2019, the Council has been progressing work throughout 2020 towards the production of the Proposed Local Development Plan 2. Although this work has been impacted by the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, we remain in line with the timescales set out in our [Development Plan Scheme \(2019\)](#).

The Proposed Local Development Plan 2 (Proposed Plan) will be considered by East Dunbartonshire Council on Thursday 20 August 2020.

The Council Report will seek Council approval for:

- The Proposed Plan for publication and associated mapping.
- The range of supporting documents which will be published alongside the Proposed Plan. These are:
 - Main Issues Report - Report of Consultation
 - Monitoring Statement
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 1: Business Land Requirement Report
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 2: Business Land Audit
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 3: Business Land Review
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 4: Housing Background Report
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 5: Housing Land Audit 2019
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 6: Older Peoples and Specialist Housing Research
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 7: Retail Capacity Assessment
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 8: Site Assessments
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 9: Urban Capacity Study
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 10: Green Belt Review
 - Monitoring Statement Appendix 11: Historic Environment Designations Review
 - Habitats Regulations Appraisal
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment
- The work programme for Planning Guidance which will accompany the adopted LDP2 and consultation on a Sustainability and Energy Form.
- The Proposed Delivery Programme.
- The consultation strategy for the Proposed Plan representation period and updates to the Council's Development Plan Scheme, to take into account the requirement for physical distancing.
- As part of the representation period, consultation on nine additional sites submitted to the Council during the Main Issues Report consultation (October-December 2019) which are *not* recommended for inclusion in the Proposed Plan. These sites are:
 1. Braes of Yetts Farm (S368)

2. Fauldhead South (S370)
3. Auchinloch Road (S373)
4. Pitt Road (S369)
5. Kincaidfield (S375)
6. Morrison Drive (S376)
7. Bogside Road (S374)
8. Dougalston Golf Course (S377)
9. Former Sewage Works – Allander Way (S350) (This is not an additional site but a change in use, it was previously suggested for car parking associated with a potential Allander Rail Station but has now been submitted by Scottish Water for housing.)

The Council Report is now available to view on line, via the [Committee documents section of the Council website](#). The meeting itself starts at 5pm on 20 August 2020 and will be live streamed on the Council's YouTube page. This can be accessed via the following link:

[Meeting of East Dunbartonshire Council – Thursday 20 August 2020 \(stream activated at start of meeting\)](#)

The Council's decision on this report will be publicised via East Dunbartonshire Council social media, a press release and our LDP Newsletter.

Following the Council decision, the Land Planning Policy team will organise the public consultation on the Proposed Plan. This consultation will provide individuals and stakeholders with an opportunity to comment on the Proposed Plan (known as a 'representation'). Our approach to the representation period will take into account the ongoing Covid-19 situation and the need for physical distancing. The Development Plan Scheme is included in the above Council report and, subject to approval, will be updated to reflect physical distancing requirements. More information on the representation period will be provided in future newsletters. Whilst it is hoped that the representation period will go live in late September 2020, a specific date cannot yet be confirmed as Covid-19 may have an impact on the time required to organise the consultation. As soon as we are in a position to confirm a date, a further LDP Newsletter will be issued.

Please note that as comments will require to be submitted using a representation form, any submissions on the Proposed Plan received before the consultation commences will not be accepted.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Operation of Planning and Building Standards

Planning Policy

At present, work is continuing on Local Development Plan 2 in line with the Council's [Development Plan Scheme](#). The Land Planning Policy team is working from home and can be contacted by email at: development.plan@eastdunbarton.gov.uk

Should this change as a result of the Council's ongoing response to Covid-19 a further update will be provided.

Planning Applications

Please note that due to the restrictions on working practices necessitated by the Covid-19 pandemic the Planning Service are currently unable to receive paper mail including letters of representations. All

representations to planning applications should therefore be submitted electronically. Please submit your representations through the [online planning service](#) or by emailing: planning@eastdunbarton.gov.uk

Given the fast-changing nature of this situation, the level of service we provide may change. Updates will appear here as frequently as possible when there are significant changes to the level of service which we can provide.

Building Standards

Emergency call out arrangements are in place for Building Standards only for unsafe building response in the event of an emergency.

Please note that due to the restrictions on working practices necessitated by the Covid-19 pandemic the Building Standards Service is currently unable to receive paper applications. We are able to process new building warrants submitted through the eBuilding Standards and are applying Reasonable Inquiry to allow completions to come through. The team can be contacted by email: buildingstandards@eastdunbarton.gov.uk.

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Council Wide

Information about the Council's service delivery can be found at: <https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/council-democracy/coronavirus-covid-19>

Implementation of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 - Scottish Government Consultations



The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 was passed by the Scottish Parliament in June 2019. This sets the future structure of the planning system in Scotland. The new Act includes a broad range of reforms to be made across the planning system such as:

- arrangements for the preparation of development plans
- proactive masterplanning
- development management procedures and considerations
- strengthening enforcement
- a focus on improved performance and positive outcomes

The detail of how the new Act's provisions will work in practice will be contained within secondary legislation and guidance, which is currently being developed by the Scottish Government. This will include further public consultation and stakeholder engagement, ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to influence the future of planning in Scotland. The Council will provide notification of relevant consultations in future newsletters, once further details on the Scottish Government work programme are known. You can find out more by visiting the following website:

Transforming Planning

<https://www.transformingplanning.scot/>

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