

<b>Derry City &amp; Strabane District Council – Request for comment on Coastal and Mineral Policies for Draft Plan Strategy.</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018</b>
<b>Planning Committee</b>	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
Leader & Champion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will establish key relationships with Government agencies and potential strategic partners in NI and external to it which helps us to deliver our vision for this Council area.</li> </ul>
Protect the environment in which we live	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All environments in the area will benefit from pro-active decision making which protects the natural features, characteristics and integrity of the Borough;</li> </ul>
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Local Development Plan Manager
<b>Cost:</b>	N/A

## **For Decision**

### **1.0 Background**

1.1 Derry City & Strabane District Council (DC&SDC) wrote to Council on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018, as an adjoining council, requesting input into their draft Environment (Coastal) and Economy (Minerals) Policies for their draft Plan Strategy (see Appendix 1 & 2).

#### **Coastal Development**

1.2 DC&SDC outlined the following specific input requirements for Coastal Development:

- Have you any specific comments to make or updated evidence to provide in relation to the POP content, or to EVB 17 – Coastal Development, do you want any relevant areas specifically updated?
- Have you any comments to make or specific issues with the existing operational Coastal policy contained within the Planning Strategy for Rural Northern Ireland (PSRNI) and the Strategic Planning Policy Statement (SPPS) – is there scope to reduce certain policy text and its accompanying justification and amplification or do you want any relevant policy areas specifically updated?
- Have you any comments to make in response to the issues raised in the POP representation reports?

- Have you any specific comments to make in regards to Natural Heritage issues and Defence Heritage Archaeology associated with coastal development?
- Do you have any spatial data that you think would be relevant in terms of ports, marinas, port related industries and recreational projects?

### **Minerals**

1.3 DC&SDC outlined the following specific input requirements for Minerals Development:

- Have you any specific comments to make or updated evidence to provide in relation to the POP content, or to EVB 19 – Minerals, do you want any relevant areas specifically updated?
- Have you any comments to make or specific issues with the existing operational Minerals policy contained within the Planning Strategy for Rural Northern Ireland (PSRNI) and the Strategic Planning Policy Statement (SPPS) – is there scope to reduce certain policy text and its accompanying justification and amplification or do you want any relevant policy areas specifically updated?
- Have you any comments to make in response to the issues raised in the POP representation reports?
- Do you have any spatial data that you think would be relevant in terms of Minerals?

### **Response**

1.4 DC&SDC requested a written response or a meeting to discuss the issues raised in the two letters. Planning officials responded via letter on both topics (see Appendix 3 & 4).

## **2.0 Financial Implications**

2.1 None

## **3.0 Other Implications**

3.1 None

## **3.0 Recommendation**

3.1 **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that Members note the content of the report and correspondence attached at Appendix 1 & 2 and Council response attached at Appendix 3 & 4.

**APPENDICES:**

**Appendix 1:** Derry City & Strabane District Council letter (Coastal Development).

**Appendix 2:** Derry City & Strabane District Council letter (Minerals).

**Appendix 3:** Council response letter (Coastal Development).

**Appendix 4:** Council response letter (Minerals Development).

Date: March 2018

Dear Sir / Madam

## **Derry City and Strabane District Local Development Plan 2032 (LDP) – Consultation for Plan Strategy (PS) stage**

I am writing to set out the Council's requirements for input into the LDP Plan Strategy stage. The Council is aiming to publish the draft PS by November 2018 and to achieve this we would need to write the majority of the strategic designations/ zonings and all planning policies for the topic in March, April and May 2018.

You will no doubt be familiar with the contents of our [Preferred Options Paper \(POP\)](#), which are most relevant to your organisation, in particular section nine – Environment (pg. 109-110). I would also draw your attention to the Evidence Base Papers [EVB 17 – Coastal Development](#).

As you will be aware, there was a subsequent POP consultation process and the Council has produced two documents summarising the POP responses. They are as follows: [Preferred Options Paper: Interim Representations Report \(IR\)](#) and [Preferred Options Paper: Representations Summary List \(SL\)](#). In particular, I would draw your attention to the following relevant issues raised:

- (IR) Coastal Development (pg. 57)

### Specific Input Requirements

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- Do you have any spatial data that you think would be relevant in terms of ports, marinas, port related industries and recreational projects? We would be happy to progress with our GIS officer to obtain as part of our evidence base.

We would request that you reply to these initial specific input requirements within three weeks of the date of this letter. If you would feel it would be beneficial to have a meeting during this period, or if you feel you need further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me

([jonathan.mcnee@derrystrabane.com](mailto:jonathan.mcnee@derrystrabane.com)) or the lead officer for this topic, Kevin McConnell ([Kevin.McConnell@Derrystrabane.com](mailto:Kevin.McConnell@Derrystrabane.com)).

I look forward to your organisation's continued involvement with the Derry City and Strabane District LDP 2032.

Yours sincerely,

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Date: 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Sir / Madam

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- (IR) Minerals Development (pg. 42)

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- Have you any specific comments to make or updated evidence to provide in relation to the POP content, or to EVB 19 – Minerals, do you want any relevant areas specifically updated?
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Yours sincerely,

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Date: 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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Dear Mr McCarron,

**Re: Derry City & Strabane District LDP 2032 – Coastal Policies – Plan Strategy.**

Thank you for your e-mail dated 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and accompanying letter requesting information relating to the above topic. In response to the specific questions asked I wish to make the following comment:

Questions	Response
1. Have you any specific comments to make or updated evidence to provide in relation to the POP content or to EVB 17 – Coastal Development, do you want any relevant areas specifically updated?	We are not aware of any specific information in relation to this topic that needs to be incorporated into your Plan Strategy.
2. Have you any comments to make or specific issues with the existing operational Coastal policy contained within the PSRNI and the SPPS – is there scope to reduce certain policy context and its accompanying justification and amplification or do you want any relevant policy areas specifically updated?	We intend to publish our Preferred Options Paper in June this year. We have not identified any specific issues in relation to coastal development that may affect the cross boundary situation. We will update you on any matters arising from the public consultation process that we consider to be relevant to the cross boundary situation.
3. Have you any comments to make in response to the issues raised in the POP representation reports?	None.

<p>4. Do you have any specific comments to make in regards to Natural Heritage issues and Defence Heritage Archaeology associated with coastal development?</p>	<p>None. If any matters arise from our POP public consultation exercise that are relevant, we will consult you.</p>
<p>5. Do you have any spatial data that you think would be relevant in terms of ports, marinas, port related industries and recreational projects? We would be happy to progress with our GIS officer to obtain as part of our evidence base.</p>	<p>We are not aware of any additional information that we may hold regarding spatial data.</p>

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss the matter further.

Yours faithfully,



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Thank you for your e-mail dated 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and accompanying letter requesting information relating to the above topic. In response to the specific questions asked I wish to make the following comment:

<b>Derry and Strabane Questions</b>	<b>CC&amp;G Response</b>
1. Have you any specific comments to make or updated evidence to provide in relation to the POP content or to EVB 10 – Minerals, do you want any relevant areas specifically updated?	We are not aware of any specific information in relation to this topic that needs to be incorporated into your Plan Strategy.
2. Have you any comments to make or specific issues with the existing operational Minerals policy contained within the PSRNI and the SPPS – is there scope to reduce certain policy context and its accompanying justification and amplification or do you want any relevant policy areas specifically updated?	We intend to publish our Preferred Options Paper in June this year and have identified a number of issues relating to minerals. We will update you on any matters arising from the public consultation process that we consider to be relevant to the cross boundary situation.
3. Have you any comments to make in response to the issues raised in the POP representation reports?	None.
4. Do you have any spatial data that you think would be relevant in terms of Minerals? We would be	We are not aware of any additional information that we may hold regarding spatial data.

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