

Report

Report to:	Planning Committee
Date of Meeting:	13 February 2018
Report by:	Executive Director (Enterprise Resources)

Subject:	The South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2018
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to:-

- Seek Committee approval for the South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme (appended to report) which will then be submitted to the Scottish Government for information.

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) That the South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2018 is approved and published as set out in the appendix.
- (2) That the South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2018 is submitted to the Scottish Government.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 requires Planning Authorities in Scotland to prepare Strategic Development Plans (SDPs) and Local Development Plans (LDPs).
- 3.2 Scottish Government has also instructed all planning authorities to prepare a development plan scheme. The scheme has to set out the authority's programme for preparing and reviewing their SDPs or LDPs and what is likely to be involved at each stage. The scheme is to be updated annually.
- 3.3 SDP2 for Glasgow and the Clyde Valley (Clydeplan) has recently been approved. The SDP team has prepared its own development plan scheme which will go before the SDP Joint Committee which includes South Lanarkshire Council. The current SDP was approved July 2017. However, this is subject to a legal challenge which will be heard in February 2018.

4. The South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2018

- 4.1 A development plan scheme for South Lanarkshire has been prepared. The scheme covers:-
 - The current coverage of development plans in South Lanarkshire;

- Proposals for a new LDP (LDP2) for the Council area and the context set for this by the Glasgow and the Clyde Valley SDP2;
- The timescale for preparation of the new LDP;
- Details, as appropriate, of the key components of each stage of preparation;
- A participation statement, giving an account of when consultation will take place, with whom and in what form, during the preparation of the LDP2; and
- Information on how to access information and how to get in touch with the Council.

4.2 The scheme highlights the progress made in preparing and publishing a range of plans and supplementary guidance. The following work has been completed in 2017/18:-

- Production and extensive consultation on the Main issues Report and preparation of a Proposed Local Development Plan which will be submitted for committee approval in 2018.

4.3 The Committee previously agreed on 8 March 2016 that the Council's Minerals Local Development Plan (MLDP) and the second South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan (SLLDP2) would be amalgamated into one Local Development Plan and a separate SG on minerals based on the broad policy approach set out in the revised LDP produced. The detailed policies set out in the SG would be similar to that contained in the existing MLDP. The Minerals SG, a revised Renewable Energy SG and a revised Green Belt and Rural Area SG will be produced alongside the proposed LDP2.

4.4 Nevertheless, in order to ensure that there remains a clear policy context against which to assess mineral proposals whilst SLLDP2 is being prepared the existing adopted MLDP has been translated into planning guidance. This will be used to assess and determine applications, until SLLDP2 is approved and adopted, and its associated Supplementary Guidance is produced.

4.5 Once approved by Committee, the Development Plan Scheme will be sent to the Scottish Ministers and made available on the Council's web site and in every Council library.

5. Employee Implications

5.1 The timescales for the delivery of the local development plans and guidance outlined within the development plan scheme are based upon continuity of existing staff resources within Planning and Economic Development Services. Changes in this resource may impact on the programmes presented.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 The resources required to deliver the local development plans and guidance described in the development plan scheme are dependent upon the current budget levels available to Planning and Economic Development Services. Changes in these financial resources may impact on the programmes presented.

7. Other Implications

7.1 Local development plans are subject to the requirements of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005. Each plan and SG will therefore be subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment as is detailed within the development plan scheme. Plans will also be subject to other forms of assessment to address

sustainability issues, meet other legislative requirement and/or Council/Community Planning policy, namely; Habitats Regulation Appraisal, Equality Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment. The Development Plan Scheme itself, however, does not raise any sustainability issues.

- 7.2 The production of the Development Plan Scheme is a statutory requirement and there would be a reputational risk to the Council if it failed to do so.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1 As indicated in the above paragraph, Equality Impact Assessment will be undertaken on local development plans.
- 8.2 There are no consultation requirements for the development plan scheme. The scheme however details the stages, form and timing of the required participation and consultation associated with the preparation of the LDP and its associated guidance.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives/Values/Ambitions

- Work with communities and partners to promote high quality thriving and sustainable communities.
- Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth.
- Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities.

Previous References

- None

List of Background Papers

South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2018

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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