

SOUTH AYRSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROJECT BOARD

Meeting 7 – 9th December 2010 at 15.00 in 4th Floor Conference Room, Burns House

Agenda

1. Presentation and discussion on Main Paper and Appendices, including
 - a. Main Issues Report Consultation Update
 - b. Format/Content/Structure of Proposed Local Development Plan
 - c.
 - d. Reporting to full Council
 - e. Launch of Main Issues Report
 - f. Project Plan and Actions from previous meeting
 - g.

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

PAPER TO LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROJECT BOARD MEETING OF 12th FEBRUARY 2010

**SUBJECT: PROGRESS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE SOUTH AYRSHIRE LOCAL
DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Project Board Members of the Council's progress on preparing a new Local Development Plan (LDP).
- 1.2 The meeting of the Board will be accompanied by a presentation of the issues outlined in this paper.

2. Action Log

- 2.1 **Members of the LDP Project Board are asked to note the updated action log, as attached under Appendix 1.** LDP Board Members have been presented with a draft of the full text of the Main Issues Report (MIR), under **Appendix 2**. This draft is not a complete draft, however and as such, Action 17 on Appendix 1 has not been met. The draft MIR requires the completed land assessment framework. Due to time constraints it has not been possible to complete the mapping of the results of the land assessment framework for this Board; however this exercise is substantially complete. It is anticipated that the remainder of the work required to complete the MIR can be completed within a week. To reflect this revised work programme, a further LDP Board Meeting will be held the week commencing 15th February 2010. LDP Board Members will be verbally updated on the arrangements for the further meeting; and Group Secretaries will be formally advised in due course.

3. Draft Main Issues Report

- 3.1 A full draft of the MIR is attached to this report as **Appendix 2**. **Board Members are asked to note the terms of this report. It is intended that the draft MIR forms the basis for a discussion on its form and content.**

4. Amendments Prior to Full Council Consideration

- 4.1 Subject to the outcome of the LDP Board meeting, it may be required to reflect LDP Board Members consideration of the form and content of the MIR. Furthermore, due to strict timescales the Local Development Plan Team has been working to in preparing the MIR, there may be a requirement to further edit the text and layout of the MIR, following the Board meeting. In this respect, **LDP Board Members are asked to authorise the LDP Team to make editorial changes to the draft MIR; and to amend the content of the MIR to reflect LDP Board Members discussion on the draft.**

5 Reporting to South Ayrshire Council

- 5.1 In order to publish the MIR, the report will require to be approved at a meeting of South Ayrshire Council. LDP Board Members will be verbally updated on the proposals for presenting the MIR to a meeting of South Ayrshire Council.

6 Launch of Main Issues Report

6.1 The Planning etc. (Scotland) Act, 2006, requires planning authorities to secure that people who may be expected to want to comment on the main issues report are made aware that they can do so, and are given such an opportunity. The statutory minimum requirement for publication of the MIR is set out as follows: -

Publication of a notice in one or more local newspapers, setting out:

- That the document has been produced and where and when it may be viewed;
- A brief description of the content and purpose of the document;
- Details of how further information may be obtained; and
- A statement that representations may be made, and how, to whom and by when they should be made.

6.2 In publishing the MIR, the Council require to make a copy of the document available to inspect at an office of the planning authority and in public libraries; and publish the MIR on the internet. In addition, the Council must carry out consultation with the following parties: -

- the Scottish Government;
- the key agencies;
- neighbouring planning authorities;
- planning authorities within the same SDPA; and
- community councils.

6.3 It is proposed that following any approval of the MIR at full Council that the minimum publication and consultation requirements are met, with the consultation period being open for a period of 6 weeks from the launch of the MIR.

6.4 In addition to the statutory minimum publication and consultation requirement of the MIR, it is considered that further publicising the MIR will raise its profile, and ensure that the consultation reaches as wide an audience as possible. In this respect it is proposed that, in addition to the publication measures as above, the MIR should be publicly launched at a future meeting of the LDP Board, accompanied by a press release. Separately, and following on the MIR launch, a meeting of the Planning Forum will be arranged to present the MIR, and to engage in discussions on the form and content of the report with key stakeholders.

6.5 **LDP Board Members are asked to agree to the LDP Team meeting the consultation and publication requirements as set out above, following the approval of the MIR at a future meeting of South Ayrshire Council.**

Background Papers

Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006, The Town and Country Planning (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008, Circular 1/09 – Development Planning, Scottish Planning Policy South Ayrshire Local Plan, Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan, Report to Leadership Panel on 29th January 2008 entitled Service Impacts arising from Planning, etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 and Current Work Pressures, Previous LDP Project Board Papers

Appendices

1. Action Log
2. Draft Main Issues Report (Text)