

**REPORT TO: DUNDEE, PERTH, ANGUS AND NORTH FIFE
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AUTHORITY
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON 20th MARCH 2012**

REPORT ON: REVISED DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report sets out the revised Development Plan Scheme for the TAYplan Strategic Development Plan which focuses on the Strategic Development Plan examination, monitoring and the early consideration of preparing for the next Plan.

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 TAYplan have published a Development Plan Scheme annually which sets out some background on the Strategic Development Planning Authority, the timescales in delivering the Plan together with the Participation Statement.

2.2 This report sets out the revised Development Plan Scheme to be published in March 2012. The Development Plan Scheme provides an overview of the existing and proposed Development Plans within the TAYplan area in addition to an update on the current status of TAYplan's Proposed Strategic Development Plan. The scheme sets out the authority's programme for preparing and reviewing the Strategic Development Plan and what is likely to be involved at each stage. There is no public consultation anticipated in 2012.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

- a) Approve the revised Development Plan Scheme as set out in Appendix 1; and,
- b) Remit the SDPA Manager to submit the updated version of the Development Plan Scheme to the Scottish Government.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The costs incurred from the production of the Revised Development Plan Scheme will have a minimal financial implication. All costs will be met within the existing TAYplan budget.

5.0 DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEMES

- 5.1 Section 20B of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 requires each Strategic Development Planning Authority to prepare a Development Plan Scheme and review at least annually.
- 5.2 Within the Scheme, there must be a participation statement which outlines when, how and with whom consultation on the Plans will take place and the authority's proposals for public involvement in plan preparation process. Collaborative partnership working remains a central component of delivering the Strategic Development Plan for TAYplan.
- 5.3 After the Scheme is adopted, the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 requires for copies to be published (paper and electronic), two copies sent to Scottish Ministers and copies made available for viewing in public libraries. However, there is no requirement to consult on the content of development plan schemes.

6.0 TAYplan REVISED DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME

- 6.1 A revised Development Plan Scheme for the TAYplan SDPA is set out in Appendix 1 of this Report. The Scheme will supersede TAYplan SDPA's third Development Plan Scheme published in March 2011. In brief, the revised Scheme provides information on:
- Who TAYplan are;
 - An overview of the Development Plan system in Scotland and within TAYplan;
 - The purpose of the Strategic Development Plan and Action Programme;
 - An updated timetable for the examination process, monitoring and further work in considering the next Plan's preparation; and,
 - A review of the Participation Statement.
- 6.2 The Scheme provides an overview of the Strategic Development Plan process to date, including a review of the examination process and anticipated timescales for a decision to be made on the first Strategic Development Plan. The Scheme also highlights forthcoming work areas around the examination process, approval and publishing of the Action Programme and the associated monitoring of this document. Further work areas, during the term of this Development Plan Scheme, surround commencing preparation of the Monitoring Statement and reporting on TAYplan's boundary change (See Report SDPA04-2012: Project Plan Update). There will also be early consideration of the research areas required in developing the next Strategic Development Plan, a review of TAYplan's website and preparatory work around a potential pre-Main Issues Report consultation stage.
- 6.3 The Revised Development Plan Scheme will be distributed to the Scottish Government, libraries, elected members, community councils and neighbouring authorities and published electronically.

7.0 PARTICIPATION STATEMENT

- 7.1 The revised Development Plan Scheme sets out that whilst TAYplan remains committed to stakeholder and public engagement, there is no scheduled consultation expected in the period to March 2013.

8.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 8.1 The Treasurer and Clerk to TAYplan, The Director of Infrastructure Services, Angus Council, The Director of City Development, Dundee City Council, The Head of Enterprise, Planning and Protective Services, Fife Council and the Executive Director (Environment), Perth & Kinross Council have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

9.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 Circular 1/2009: Development Planning, Scottish Government
(<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/261030/0077887.pdf>)
- 9.2 Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006
(http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2006/17/pdfs/asp_20060017_en.pdf)
- 9.3 Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997
(<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2005/01/20576/50663>)
- 9.4 Town and Country Planning (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008 (<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2008/426/contents/made>)
- 9.5 Planning Advice Note 3 'Community Engagement', 2010
(<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/322754/0103851.pdf>)
- 9.6 Report SDPA04-2012: Project Plan Update, 20th March 2012.

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