

East Dunbartonshire Local Development Plan Newsletter



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Have Your Say on the Proposed Local Development Plan 2

The public consultation on the Council's Proposed LDP2 was recently launched and comments and representations on the plan can be made until 15 January 2020.

The [Proposed Local Development Plan 2 \(LDP2\)](#) sets out a new long-term land-use strategy for East Dunbartonshire - including policies and sites for development - which will be used to determine planning applications. The Proposed LDP2 reflects the Council's desire to:

- Create high-quality places for residents to live
- Promote sustainable economic growth and the development of local town centres
- Maximise tourism and business potential
- Protect and enhance the quality of our local historic, natural and water environment.

You can access a copy of the Proposed LDP2, as well as other consultation documents and details of how to get involved by visiting www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/LDP2

Online Information Sessions

Members of the public are asked to register for an online information session, so joining instructions can be sent out, at least **two working days in advance of the meeting**, by emailing the Land Planning Policy team at development.plan@eastdunbarton.gov.uk. Each online information session will apply to the whole of East Dunbartonshire, however they will also have a focus on a different community area each time, so if you have missed a session in your community you can still attend in a different community. These include:

Online Information Session	Date	Time
Bishopbriggs	Mon 26 October 2020	Taken Place
	Tues 10 November 2020	Taken Place
Bearsden	Tues 27 October 2020	Taken Place
	Wed 11 November 2020	Taken Place
Kirkintilloch, Lenzie & Waterside	Wed 28 October 2020	Taken Place
	Tues 17 November 2020	7.00 pm - 7.45 pm

	Wed 4 November 2020 Thurs 19 November 2020	Taken Place 7.00 pm - 7.45 pm
	Thurs 5 November 2020 Mon 23 November 2020	Taken Place 7.00 pm - 7.45 pm
	Mon 9 November 2020 Tues 24 November 2020	Taken Place 5.00 pm - 5.45 pm

Responding to the Plan

The Council is encouraging the use of a representation form - [available via the website](#) - which has been specifically created for the consultation exercise. However, representations submitted in other formats, such as e-mail and letter, will also be accepted. Representations should be concise and limited to a maximum of approximately 2,000 words, as this will allow the Council to work through the responses efficiently and help contribute towards a speedy process.

Telephone and Email Helpdesk

The Land Planning Policy Team will be available to provide advice and respond to enquiries by telephone and email, during working hours.

Email: development.plan@eastdunbarton.gov.uk

Telephone: 0300 123 4510 (please ask for the Land Planning Policy Team)

Alternative Copies of Documents

Physical copies of documents will be available in libraries/Community Hubs via the [EDLC 'Connect and Collect' service](#). This is subject to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. See the website for details or call your local library:

Bearsden Library - 0141 777 3021: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am-1pm

Bishopbriggs Library - 0141 777 3155: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10am-1pm

Lennoxtown Library - 0141 777 3151: Fridays, 10am-1pm

Milngavie Library - 0141 956 2776: Wednesdays and Fridays, 10am-1pm

William Patrick Library - 0141 777 3141: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am-1pm

COVID-19 Implications on the Planning System

COVID 19 physical distancing requirements are likely to remain in place during the representation period. The Council's approach to the consultation as a result was outlined in the previous newsletter available at: <https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/planning-and-building-standards/planning-policy/newsletter>



Use of Open Space Audit 2020 Information in Proposed Local Development Plan 2.

The findings of the Open Space Audit 2019 were presented to Council in March 2020 and included a number of updates to the previous Audit of 2015. The Audit, which was undertaken in accordance with Scottish Planning Policy and Planning Advice Note 65, assessed 207 sites across East Dunbartonshire against local standards for quality, quantity and accessibility and involved consultation with local community groups. The Open Space Audit 2019 therefore identifies the baseline information on open spaces and their boundaries to include in LDP2 community policies and Proposals Map. In particular the community Policies 2 to 9 each includes a section on Community Facilities and Open Space, and accompanying policy map for each community area, in which the open spaces are identified and safeguarded. Policy 13 Community Facilities and Open Space then sets out the policy position for protection and enhancement of these open spaces, in line with Scottish Planning Policy.

The Proposed LDP2 was approved at Council in August 2020, with officers remitted to refine and produce policy and Proposals Maps. However the version of the plan published on 19 October 2020 did not include the changes that the Open Space Audit of 2019 introduced. This erratum in the Proposed LDP2 has now been corrected and the amendments introduced by the 2019 Open Space Audit have been made online. The paper deposit versions are in the process of being printed and distributed to libraries and Community Councils / Groups.

COVID-19 Economic Impacts Survey

The Council has published a survey online and is inviting businesses, residents and people who work in the area to give their views on the economic impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and to help guide East Dunbartonshire's recovery.

The survey asks questions about the impact of the pandemic on employment, local businesses, use of local amenities and travel behaviours. It also offers an opportunity to suggest potential future actions for the Economic Recovery Plan (available to view in full, and as a poster-style summary, on the consultation page).

The consultation page for the Economic Recovery Plan is now live and will be available until **30th November** at: www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/covid-19-economic-impact-survey

Councillor Andrew Polson, Joint Leader of the Council, said, "The COVID-19 pandemic has left no community untouched and continues to present massive challenges for us all. This survey aims to provide an up-to-date snapshot of the local economic situation - guiding the ERP and helping to ensure we provide targeted, co-ordinated support with our partners - both local and national."

Councillor Vaughan Moody, Joint Leader of the Council, added, "I would encourage everyone to take time out to engage with the survey. It is vitally important that we gather the views and experiences of businesses, employees and residents - to help to inform plans for community regeneration, local investment, environmental sustainability and future economic resilience."

Contacting us (including requests to join our LDP Newsletter mailing list)

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They can then contact us if they wish to be added to our Newsletter distribution list at any time.

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