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LOCAL PLAN DELIVERY UPDATE – JULY 2012

This e-mail is to keep you up to date with our work to support the delivery of our Local Plan, following its Adoption in December 2011. It also highlights draft documents that will be issued for consultation later in August and the re-launch of our Planning Forum.

You are receiving this e-mail as you have previously indicated that you would like to be kept informed about our Local Plan – if you no longer wish to receive updates please reply using the contact details below:

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Planning Forum

The Planning Forum was set up during the preparation of our Local Plan and has not met recently. We are going to re-establish it to help monitor our service standards, as outlined in our Service Charter, (which can be viewed at <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-service-charter/menu-id-906.html>) to support delivery of our Local Plan and preparations for our Local Development Plan. The next meeting will be on the evening of Wednesday 29 August at our Balloch Office. The Forum will have the following role:

- It will enable us to informally consult and involve the public, developers and other interested local groups and organisations on planning matters (it will not replace existing or informal formal processes);
- It will act as a vehicle for informal discussion and consultation on the National Park Local Development Plan (the process will start in 2013) and related planning issues; and
- It will enable us to share views and experiences of the planning service, and to discuss ideas for its improvement.

We will be writing to those who previously attended, but if you have not attended in the past and would be interested, please let Carolyn O'Connor know on carolyn.oconnor@lochlomond-trossachs.org or 01389 722600.

Agents Forum

Separately, for agents that regularly submit planning applications, we are also holding an Agents Forum on 23 August at 7pm. This is focused on Development Management processes and practices and is only open to agents. All previous attendees will receive an invitation separately. However, if you are interested in more information, please contact planning@lochlomond-trossachs.org.

Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)

SPGs are developed to supplement and support the Local Plan and relevant Planning Policy. SPGs which are adopted as supplementary planning policy will be a material consideration when determining applications for planning permission.

The Authority has adopted:

- Conservation Area Appraisals for Callander, Killin and St Fillans
- Sustainable Design, which included the Sustainability Checklist.

Details of these documents can be found on our website, <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/looking-after/planning-access-committee-meeting-12/03/2012/menu-id-423.html?Itemid423=0>.

Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance Consultations

The following documents will be issued for public consultation between 20 August and 1 October, 2012:

1. Housing Development (including Affordable Housing)
2. Callander Development and Flood Risk
3. Callander Public Realm and Design Guidance

Some information is already on our SPG web page, <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/supplementary-planning-guidance/menu-id-903.html>, regarding these documents – from our committee pages - with updated and finalised consultation documents to be added for the start of the consultation period.

We are holding a public drop in event in our Callander office on Thursday, 6 September between 2 and 8pm, where staff will be on hand to provide information or answer any questions regarding the Callander focused documents.

4. Renewable Energy

The 2010 draft SPG is being revised following the adoption of the Local Plan and the consideration of representations through the Local Plan Examination last summer. It is currently expected to be issued for consultation in November, which would run until mid January – any updates on changes to this timetable will be posted on our website, <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/looking-after/planning-access-committee-meeting-12/03/2012/menu-id->

[423.html?Itemid423=0](#). To help raise awareness and understanding of this consultation we will be attending some Community Area Network meetings in the autumn – if you would like further information or details of these meetings please contact carolyn.oconnor@lochlomond-trossachs.org.

You will be notified by email or letter on the commencement of these consultations which will also provide instructions on how you view the documents and provide comments or where you can get further information. Following the consultations we will analyse all comments and report these and any required changes to our Planning & Access Committee. We will then Adopt as SPG.

Monitoring

Our Housing Land Audit for 2011 has been finalised and placed for viewing on our Local Plan Monitoring Page, <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/local-plan-monitoring/menu-id-176.html>. It is anticipated that the Employment Land Audit will also be finalised and will be available to view on the Local Plan Monitoring page over the next few months. The audits are important as they ensure we have information on how identified proposals are progressing.

Local Development Plan – Development Plan Scheme

The Development Plan Scheme which sets out how the Authority will prepare the Local Development Plan is due to be published towards the end of 2012. The Development Plan Scheme will include timetables and projections of when certain work is likely to be carried out and when and how you can get involved in the process.

It is hoped that you have found this update helpful. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Forward Planning team on 01389 722600. Remember, you can keep up to date by visiting the Local Plan page on our website at <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/local-plan/menu-id-176.html>.

Yours faithfully



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