

# Dublin City Development Plan - Introduction to the Review Process

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# Requirements for Development Plans

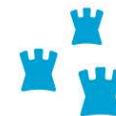
- The Planning Act specifies content of Development Plans (Sc. 10). The list in the section includes the core strategy, the zoning of land, provision of infrastructure, conservation, environmental protection, and culture amongst others.
- Planning Act also require compliance/alignment within the Draft Plan with:
  - National Planning Framework (NPF)
  - Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy for the Region (RSES)
  - Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area
  - SPPRs issued in Guidelines by the Minister
- Development Plan Guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government set out a range of content that Plans should address.



# Context

## What's different this time?

- Specific elements of the NPF, RSES and Ministerial Directions are now **required** to go in, such as the directions on height policy and to undertake a Housing Need Demand Assessment.
- Role of the Office of the Planning **Regulator**
- **Covid** challenges- Retail, city centre, culture
- Possible future role of the **LDA**
- Need for greater emphasis on **Climate** Change actions



# The Process

- The review process commenced on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2020.
- The making of the new City Development Plan will include 4 key stages:
  1. **Pre Draft** (Consultation 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 to 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2021)
  2. **Draft Plan & Submissions** (consultation Nov 2021 – Feb 2022)
  3. **Material Amendments** (consultation Aug 2022 - Sept 2022)
  4. **Adoption** of the Plan (November 2022).

Please note all dates outlined are provisional at this stage and may need to be adjusted



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## **1. Pre- Draft Strategic Issues Consultation**

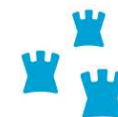
- 15<sup>th</sup> of Dec 2020 to 22<sup>nd</sup> of Feb 2021.
- Strategic Issue Paper (approx. 60 pages)
- Simplified Consultation Leaflet (NALA approved)
- Series of live webinars scheduled (5)
- Social and traditional media plans to draw attention
- CE Report on submissions due on 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2021, following which the Members have 10 weeks to give directions for the Plan

## **2. Draft Plan.**

- CE Draft Plan presented to Cllrs 20<sup>th</sup> of Sept 2021 following which there are 8 weeks to make changes to finalise the Draft Plan.
- Draft Plan is placed on display 29<sup>th</sup> of Nov '21 – 18<sup>th</sup> of Feb 2022
- Detail of display and consultation to be decided in context of covid
- CE Report on submission presented on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2022.

## **3. Amendments** go on display from 26<sup>th</sup> of Aug to the 23<sup>rd</sup> of Sept 2022

## **4. New Plan** made by November 2022, and comes into force 6 weeks later.

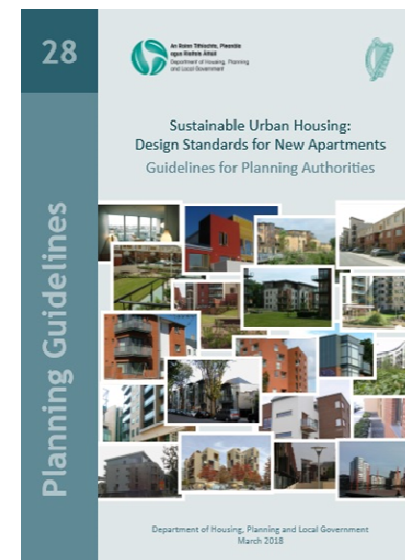


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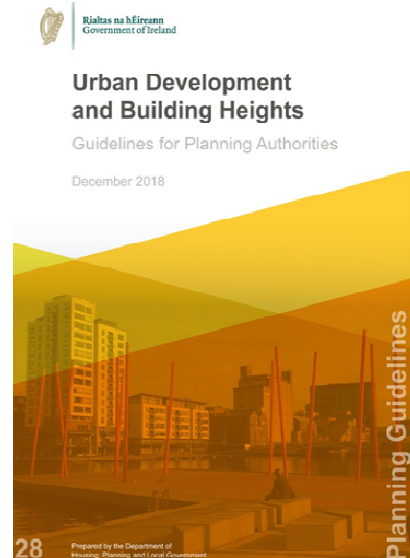
# Headline Issues

- Climate Change
- Implementing NPF and RSES
- Balancing need for compact growth with need to protect amenities
- Delivering high quality mixed use new neighbourhoods in key growth areas and supporting urban villages
- Housing Supply – Social, Affordable, market provided.
- Regeneration of key Neighbourhoods
- Community & Culture- investment, growth



# Headline Issues

- Height and densification and compliance with Section 28 Guidelines
- Protecting the world class heritage of the City
- Supporting and expanding green infrastructure and biodiversity in the City
- Employment and Retail
- Planning for a post covid environment
- Movement, Public realm and quality public spaces



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# Economy & Retail

- Key Issues:
  - Vitality of retail in the City particularly the City centre
  - Provision of flexible quality office development in right locations
  - Intensification and clustering of employment lands as per RSES
  - Location of employment types in the City
  - Supporting third level education
  - Key role of FDI and of tourism for the city
  - Impact of Covid.
  - New spaces for innovation, enterprise within mixed neighbourhoods
- How should the Plan support economic growth and employment for the City?
- What are the key sectors that need support & how?
- How should plan to address economic deprivation within certain parts of the City?
- How to we support retail and the night time economy?





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