## To the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council

Report No. 97/2017 Report of the Chief Executive



## **National Planning Framework 2040**

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Ireland 2040 – Our Plan, the NPF will be the long-term, national 20-year strategy for the spatial and place-making development of Ireland that will assist in shaping future growth and change. On the 2nd February, Minister Simon Coveney launched the first consultation stage on the plan with An Taoiseach and Minister of State Damien English. As part of this consultation period, an Issues and Choices paper has been prepared to encourage debate. The executive summary of this document is attached herewith.

Local Government is one of the key stakeholders in the preparation of a National Planning Framework for Ireland and the engagement of Dublin City Council in the process is vital, given the importance of Dublin as the capital city. In this context, I would like to invite you to engage with the consultation process at pre-draft stage with a view to making a submission at this stage in the process.

As part of the process in engaging with Local Government, Minister Coveney requested that the topic of Ireland 2040 be included on the agenda of a monthly Council meeting as a means of discussing what the aspirations of our Council are for Ireland's future and how Ireland might look in 2040.

Owen P Keegan, Chief Executive

Dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017