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 15th of December 2020.
- The making of the new City Development Plan will include 4 key stages:
 - 1. Pre Draft (Consultation 15th Dec 2020 to 22nd 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).



1. Pre- Draft Strategic Issues Consultation

- 15th of Dec 2020 to 22nd 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 19th 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 20th of Sept 2021 following which there are 8 weeks to make changes to finalise the Draft Plan.
- Draft Plan is placed on display 29th of Nov '21 18th of Feb 2022
- Detail of display and consultation to be decided in context of covid
- CE Report on submission presented on the 13th of May 2022.
- 3. Amendments go on display from 26th of Aug to the 23rd of Sept 2022
- 4. New Plan made by November 2022, and comes into force 6 weeks later.Comhairle Cathrach

Headline Issues

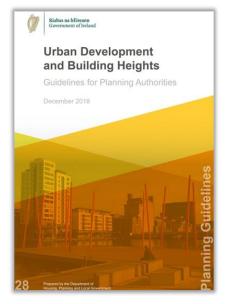
- Climate Change
- Implementing NPF and RSES
- Balancing need for compact growth with need to protect amenities
- Delivering high quality mixed use new neighbourhoods in key growth areas and supporting urban villages
- Housing Supply Social, Affordable, market provided.
- Regeneration of key Neighbourhoods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





Key Issues for Housing

- Key Issues:
 - The Core Strategy: implementing the NPF and RSES population targets, new locations for building homes
 - Preparation of the Housing Strategy
 - Changing household composition
 - Provision of affordable and social housing in the City
 - Get the type and size mix of housing right
 - Achieving compact growth that sustains communities
- How do we promote compact growth and increase housing delivery? Best locations, zoning policies, supporting services.
- How do we plan for diverse housing needs, such as older people, minorities and those with different needs?
- Where should specialist housing forms such as BTR be provided?



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