

REPORT

To: BELLSHILL & DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE		Subject: NORTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT		
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1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of progress with the North Lanarkshire Local Plan and the programme of events leading to publication of the Consultative Draft Local Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 In September 2003 Area Committees were advised that the Council's local planning framework would be taken forward by means of a Council-wide Local Plan. This would involve the Area Committees before presentation of a draft NLLP to the Council's Planning and Environment Committee.
- 2.2 In April the Area Committee was advised of progress on the pre-consultation stage on the Local Plan and made aware of the national and regional planning framework that the Council will have to take into account when determining the land use designations in the South Area Action Plan.
- 2.3 Now that the pre-consultation stage has ended I have arranged a series of events to manage input to the Local Plan and I am now in a position to inform the Bellshill & District Area Committee.

3. Sustainability

- 3.1 The North Lanarkshire Local Plan will be prepared in accordance with EU Directive 2001/42/eu and subject to a full environmental and sustainability appraisal. Tim Birley Planning Consultant has been appointed to guide the Council through this process.

4. Pre-consultation Stage Submissions

- 4.1 I have received around 300 Local Plan submissions. Approximately two thirds of the submissions are site-specific. These site-specific submissions break down to Area Action Plan areas as follows:

North - 45

Central - 105

South - 65

5. Next Stages Towards a Consultation Draft

- 5.1 I have set up a series of three workshops to involve stakeholders in development of North Lanarkshire Local Plan policy.

Workshop 1 - NLC Officers Workshop

This took place in the Town Hall, Bron Way, Cumbernauld on 20 May 2004 and involved NLC officers from across Planning & Environment and other Departments. The event focussed on the role of the Local Plan and the issues it faces.

Workshop 2 - Community Plan and Other Partners Workshop

This event, scheduled for Colzium House, Kilsyth on 15 June 2004, will seek to ensure the Local Plan contributes towards meeting the Council's Community Plan objectives.

Workshop 3 - Members Workshop

This event is scheduled for 9.30 -12.00 on Friday 13 August 2004 at Broadwood Stadium. It will be an opportunity for NLC Members to consider the draft outcomes from workshops 1 and 2 and to development criteria for assessing site-specific submissions.

6. Corporate Considerations

- 6.1 Once adopted the NLLP will reflect the Council's land use proposals for a 5- year period. It will also co-ordinate and influence the investment decisions by private interests and public agencies.
- 6.2 All costs associated with this phase of the NLLP are programmed for financial years 2003/04.

6. Recommendation

- 6.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of this report.



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Background Papers.

North Lanarkshire Local Plan - Area Committee Report - September 2003
North Lanarkshire Local Plan - Area Committee Report - April 2003