

The Strategic Growth Partnership for Derry City & Strabane District, together with Derry City and Strabane District Council, have jointly launched two highly significant documents designed to improve the social, economic and environmental well-being of our City and District. The draft, inclusive, Strategic Growth Plan is open for consultation until Friday 15th September 2017; the details can be accessed at Council Offices and on

#### www.derrystrabane.com/communityplanning

The Preferred Options Paper (POP) for the Local Development Plan 2032 (LDP) is open for consultation from Wednesday 31st May until Tuesday 22nd August 2017; the details can be accessed at Council Offices and on www.derrystrabane.com/ldp.

A series of public consultation events will be held across the District during June 2017; see below for details.

### What is the Strategic Growth Plan?

The Strategic Growth Plan is the City and District's Community Plan. Community Planning is a process led by Councils in conjunction with partners and communities to develop and implement a shared, long-term vision to improve the social, economic and environmental well-being of our City and District. It will also guide how our public services will work together locally to plan and deliver better services.

## What is the Local Development Plan (LDP)? What is the Preferred Options Paper (POP)?

Taking account of the Strategic Growth Plan, the Council is preparing the new LDP which will guide land-use development and set out policies and proposals for the use, development and protection of our settlements and countryside across our District. Once adopted, it will be used to determine planning applications.

The Preferred Options Paper (POP) is a consultation document, which sets out:

- A series of options for dealing with key planning issues in the District;
- Evidence used to appraise the different issues and options; and
- Council's preferred options and their justification

#### So what's this got to do with me?

Both plans provide an opportunity to set our own priorities to meet the needs of our City and District. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the consultation process, starting by submitting your comments in response to these plans. Together we can deliver the jobs, homes, facilities and infrastructure in a sustainable manner, to make our City and District thrive and prosper for everyone.

**Our Vision:** A thriving, prosperous and sustainable City and District with equality of opportunity for all.

Working in tandem, the LDP will help to deliver the outcomes for the City and District's new Strategic Growth Plan; they are:

- We are better skilled and educated;
- We prosper through a strong, competitive, entrepreneurial and innovative economy;
- We live in the cultural destination of choice
- We live sustainably protecting the environment;
- We connect people and opportunities through our infrastructure;
- We live long, healthy and fulfilling lives;
- We live in a shared, equal, and safe community;
- Our children and young people have the best start in life;

# How do I get involved in these important consultations?

The draft Strategic Growth Plan will be issued for an extended 16-week public consultation (to allow for the summer recess period) from the 31st May to the 15th September 2017. You can download copies of the draft Strategic Growth Plan at <a href="www.derrystrabane.com/communityplanning">www.derrystrabane.com/communityplanning</a> or by emailing us at <a href="communityplanning@derrystrabane.com">communityplanning</a> @derrystrabane.com. Copies will also be available in all public buildings, such as the Council Offices, Leisure Centres and Libraries.

The POP will be issued for a 12-week consultation period from 31st May to the 22nd August 2017. You can get further details of the POP documents online at: **www.derrystrabane.com/ldp** or by emailing us at **ldp@derrystrabane.com** or in writing to: Planning LDP Team, Derry City & Strabane District Council, 98 Strand Road, Derry, BT48 7NN. Copies will also be available in all public buildings, such as the Council Offices, Leisure Centres and Libraries.

#### **Staying involved:**

There will be a series of consultation events held across the City and District during June 2017. Please visit the above websites and come along to one of the following meetings:

Location	Evening Meeting (LDP and SGP - Strategic Growth Plan)	Daytime Workshop (focussed on LDP, as well as SGP)
Guildhall, Derry	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> June, 2 - 4pm
Alley Theatre, Strabane	Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June, 2 - 4pm
Magee, Great Hall	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	
The Glen Community Centre, Derry		Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> June, 3pm - 5pm
Claudy Community Centre	Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June, 2 - 4pm
Derg Valley Leisure Centre, Castlederg	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June, 11.15am - 1pm
Amnity House, Donemana	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Weds 21st June, 2 - 4pm
Skeoge House, Leafair, Derry	Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> June, 7pm	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 2 - 4pm
St. Columbs Park House, Derry	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2 - 4pm