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REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 25 JUNE 2018

REPORT ON: PROPOSED DUNDEE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE – STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SCREENING PROCEDURE

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 213-2018

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval of the screening procedure to be carried out and the terms of the screening summary reports produced as part of that procedure. These relate to the Strategic Environmental Assessment of the draft items of supplementary guidance on Air Quality and Land Use Planning; Householder Development and Developer Contributions prepared in support of the Proposed Dundee Local Development Plan.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
 - a approves the Strategic Environmental Assessment screening summary report for each item of draft supplementary guidance, which all conclude that the draft guidance documents are unlikely to have any significant environmental effects;
 - b remits the Executive Director of City Development to send copies of the screening summary reports to each of the Strategic Environmental Assessment consultation authorities;
 - c remits the Executive Director of City Development to engage with the consultation authorities with a view to reaching an agreement that the items of draft supplementary guidance are unlikely to have significant environmental effects, and if agreed to make determinations to that effect;
 - d if determinations are made remits the Executive Director of City Development to send copies of the determinations and statements of reasons to the Strategic Environmental Assessment consultation authorities; and
 - e if determinations are made remits the Executive Director of City Development to publish the determinations and any related statements of reasons on the Council's website and to make the public aware of the determination through an advertisement in a local newspaper.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Items of supplementary guidance are planning policy documents that provide further information or detail in respect of policies or proposals set out in the Local Development Plan.
- 4.2 The Dundee Local Development Plan 2014 was supported by 3 items of Supplementary Guidance covering Air Quality; Developer Contributions; and Householder Development. Their status falls on adoption of the new Plan and it is therefore necessary to consult on and readopt each item in the context of the new Plan. It is intended that these items are carried forward to support the Dundee Local Development Plan 2.

- 4.3 To enable this, all 3 items of Supplementary Guidance were reviewed and updated in 2017. In August 2017 City Development Committee approved the contents of the draft items of Supplementary Guidance and agreed to a 6 week period for representations (Article V of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 21st August, 2017, Report 215-2017 refers). The consultation took place at the same time as the consultation on the Proposed Dundee Local Development Plan 2. The outcome of that consultation and any changes to the guidance required as a result of the consultation and the examination of the Proposed Dundee Local Development Plan will be reported to Committee later this year once the examination has concluded.
- 4.4 In parallel to the preparation of the supplementary guidance the Council is required to comply with the requirements and procedures of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005. The preliminary stage requires the Council as the responsible authority to prepare a summary of its views as to whether or not the items of supplementary guidance are likely to have significant environmental effects.
- 4.5 Draft screening summary reports have been prepared and have been published on the website via the www.dundeecity.gov.uk/localdevplan2 webpage. Copies of the reports have been circulated to the Lord Provost and all Group Leaders. The summary reports conclude that none of the draft items of supplementary guidance are likely to have significant environmental effects.
- 4.6 The procedures require the Council to send copies of the screening summary reports to each of the Strategic Environmental Assessment consultation authorities (eg SEPA, SNH) and allow them 28 days in which to respond.
- 4.7 If the Council and the consultation authorities agree that none of the draft items of supplementary guidance are likely to have significant environmental effects then the Council shall reach a determination to that effect.
- 4.8 The Council is then required to publicise this determination and a statement of reasons by publishing it on the website and advertising it in at least one local newspaper.
- 4.9 Should the Council and the consultation authorities not reach agreement then the matter will be referred to Scottish Minsters for their determination.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 All members of the Council Management Team have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None.

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