

**REPORT TO: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE -  
22 MAY 2000**

**REPORT ON: DUNDEE AND ANGUS JOINT STRUCTURE PLAN PANEL  
MEETING - 31 MARCH 2000**

**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION**

**REPORT NO: 340-2000**

## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of the items which were discussed at the last meeting of the Dundee and Angus Joint Structure Plan Panel that took place on 31 March 2000 and to indicate the proposed future priorities.

## **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
- a notes and endorses the comments made by the Panel;
  - b considers the additional responsibilities suggested for the Panel

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 There are no financial implications directly associated with this Report.

## **4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Local Agenda 21 implications of this report cover a very wide range of key themes, in particular the transportation implications for new developments affect issues of sustainable development, the efficient use of resources and minimising of waste and access to facilities, services, goods and people is not achieved at the expense of the environment and are accessible to all.

## **5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There are no equal opportunity implications associated with this report.

## **6 BACKGROUND**

- 6.1 Members of the Committee will recall that the minutes of the last Joint Panel meeting on 5 November 1999 were reported to the Committee on 24 January 2000. A further meeting of the Panel took place on 31 March 2000.
- 6.2 Copies of the minutes of the meeting are appended to this report for members' information and to indicate the issues that are likely to require attention and major decisions in the near future.
- 6.3 Copies of the papers tabled for discussion at the meeting are available in the Member's Lounge.

**7 CONSULTATIONS**

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services and Director of Corporate Planning, have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

**8 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8.1 Copies of the Papers Submitted to the Dundee and Angus Joint Structure Plan Panel on 5 November 1999.

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**APPENDIX 1**

**MINUTES OF THE DUNDEE AND ANGUS JOINT STRUCTURE PLAN PANEL MEETING  
31 MARCH 2000**

Minute of meeting of the **DUNDEE AND ANGUS STRUCTURE PLAN JOINT PANEL** held in Committee Room 3, 14 City Square, Dundee on Friday, 31st March, 2000 at 3 p.m.

Present: Councillors DAVID SELFRIDGE, FRANK ELLIS, KENNETH GUILD, BRUCE MACKIE, STEWART McGLYNN AND PETER MURPHY

Also in attendance:- ALEX ANDERSON, Director of Planning and Transport, Angus Council  
KEITH WINTER, IAIN JACK, ALEX BROWN and GREGOR HAMILTON, Planning and Transportation Department, Dundee City Council  
COLIN ROBERTSON and GORDON PYPYER, Planning and Transport Department, Angus Council  
MERRILL SMITH, Leisure and Parks Department, Dundee City Council  
MICHAEL BEATTIE, Committee Services Officer, Dundee City Council

Councillor SELFRIDGE in the Chair

## **I WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

Councillor Selfridge welcomed those present who, in turn, introduced themselves.

## **II MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted and approved as a correct record the minute of meeting of the Joint Panel held on 5th November, 1999.

## **III MATTER ARISING**

Further to item 5 of the minute of meeting of 5th November, 1999 Keith Winter advised that traffic and retail impact assessments were still awaited - these should be available in the next two months. The Claypotts application was subject to a judicial review.

## **IV DUNDEE AND ANGUS STRUCTURE PLAN**

### **(a) Responses to Advertisement of Notice of Intention to Prepare Structure Plan**

There was submitted a Joint Report by the Directors of Planning pointing out that at the Joint Structure Plan Panel meeting on 5th November, 1999 members agreed in principle to the broad timetable put before them which was subsequently endorsed by the respective Angus and Dundee City Council Committees.

The report set out the early work undertaken in advertising the start of preparation of the Joint Structure Plan and the early responses of various interested parties.

Advertisements had been placed in the Dundee Courier and Advertiser and the Edinburgh Gazette. In addition, a short information leaflet had been distributed to over 450 consultees and, to date, 26 written responses had been received to the formal newspaper advertisements and the distribution of the leaflet. Any further responses will be taken into account.

The Panel noted the progress made to date.

**(b) Framework for Developing Settlement Strategy**

There was submitted a Joint Report by the Directors of Planning stating that a key element of the Dundee and Angus Structure Plan will be a settlement strategy which will establish, at a strategic level, the pattern and extent of future development.

The coastal corridor is and will continue to be the main focus for population and employment in Dundee, Monifieth, Carnoustie, Arbroath and Montrose. Dundee is also a major population, employment and service centre for a much wider area outwith the Structure Plan boundaries.

The Panel noted that an effective development strategy for Dundee and Angus will therefore require to assess and confirm the appropriate balance between developing opportunities within the coastal corridor to the east of Dundee and capitalising on the locational advantages offered to the west of the City.

**(c) Draft Timetable for Preparation of Dundee and Angus Structure Plan**

There was submitted a Joint Report by the Directors of Planning referring to item V(b) of the minute of meeting held on 5th November, 1999 which briefly outlined the timetable for the production of the Dundee and Angus Structure Plan. Since the meeting further consideration had been given to the timetable which was now detailed in the Appendix to the report.

Iain Jack explained that the timetable needed to be clear and precise enabling all parties to plan the process and giving consultees the chance to contribute.

The Panel endorsed the timetable as detailed in the Appendix to the report.

**V UPDATE ON WEST DUNDEE LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENT INCLUDING PRESENTATION**

There was submitted a Joint Report by the Directors of Planning referring to item III(b) of the minute of meeting held on 5th November, 1999 which outlined progress on aspects of work relating to the preparation of a masterplan framework to guide future development in the area west of Dundee.

Since the meeting in November, 1999 significant progress had been made on the landscape analysis. Alongside the landscape assessment, the Scottish Urban Archaeological Trust had been commissioned to investigate sites of archaeological interest in the west Dundee area.

**(a) Presentation: West of Dundee Capacity Study**

Gregor Hamilton introduced Merrill Smith of the City Council's Leisure and Parks Department who outlined the processes undertaken and findings of the study so far. Merrill referred members to display boards that showed details of the work done and answered questions thereon. Aspects covered included landscape character, visual survey and slope analysis, visual and landscape impact. She stated that the next steps were to consider the following aspects:-

- (i) surface water management
- (ii) development capacity
- (iii) planting framework
- (iv) development concept

On behalf of the Panel, Councillor Selfridge thanked Merrill for her presentation.

## **VI ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **(a) Letterheading**

Keith Winter tabled a draft letterheading design for the Dundee and Angus Structure Plan for any comments/approval.

The letterheading, which would demonstrate the joint identity of the Panel, was approved.

### **(b) Waste Strategy**

Alex Anderson pointed out that waste strategy was an important issue with implications for all Councils who were required to produce waste strategies. A seminar will take place next month and Keith Winter suggested that Dundee and Angus Councils nominate separate planning officer representatives. Thereafter, the Councils could consider whether there would be merit in nominating a single representative to attend future events on behalf of both Councils.

### **(c) Transport Strategy**

Alex Anderson referred to the interim Dundee Local Transport Strategy and the need to look at implications for the West End and Ninewells Hospital and consult with Perth and Kinross Council re Invergowrie Station.

## **VII DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Panel agreed to meet again on Thursday, 29th June, 2000 in Forfar at 10.30 a.m.