

# **Independent Examination**

# **Belfast City Council Local Development Plan - Draft Strategy 2035**

# **HEARINGS PROGRAMME - JANUARY ~ MARCH 2021 (Version 7)**

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Week 3	Week 3 (Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January — Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January)			
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Opening (RD & JdeC)  Topic 11: Vision, aims and objectives  Issues  Building a smart connected and resilient place (JdeC)  Topic 12: Strategic Policies  Issues  Growth Strategy (RD & JdeC)	BREAK	Topic 12: Strategic Policies  Issues (contd)  Growth Strategy (RD & JdeC)	
	Participants  Building a smart connected and resilient place (JdeC)  Belfast City Council Austin Smyth DFI - TPMU  Participants  Growth Strategy Belfast City Council Austin Smyth Belfast Harbour DFI - Planning DFI - TPMU  DFI - WDPD DFI - WDPD DFI - LWWP George Best City Airport Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council NI Water		Participants  Growth Strategy  Belfast City Council  Austin Smyth Belfast Harbour  DFI – Planning DFI – TPMU  DFI – WDPD  DFI – LWWP  George Best City Airport  Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council  NI Water	

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Topic 12: Strategic Policies - Contd	Bre	Topic 12: Strategic Policies - Contd
January	Issues Growth Strategy (RD & JdeC)	eak	Issues • Growth Strategy (RD & JdeC)
	Participants	_	Participants
	Growth Strategy  Belfast City Council  Austin Smyth  Belfast Harbour  DFI – Planning  DFI – TPMU  DFI – WDPD  DFI – LWWP  George Best City Airport  Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council  NI Water		Growth Strategy  - continued from AM (if necessary)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	Issues Sustainable Development (RD) Improving Health &r Wellbeing (JdeC) Community Cohesion and Good Relations (JdeC) Positive Place Making (RD)	Break	Issues  Environmental Resilience (JdeC)  Connectivity (RD)  Green and Blue Infrastructure (JdeC)
	Participants		Participants
	Sustainable Development  Belfast City Council  Improving Health & Wellbeing Belfast City Council		Environmental Resilience
	<ul> <li>Cohousingni</li> <li>Community Cohesion and Good Relations         <ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Cohousingni</li> </ul> </li> <li>Positive Place Making         <ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Cohousingni</li> <li>Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Connectivity  Belfast City Council  Austin Smyth  Cohousingni  DFI - TPMU  George Best City Airport  Green and Blue Infrastructure  Belfast City Council  Cohousingni
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Roll Over Session if required		Roll Over Session if required
January	Participants		Participants
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Free		Free

Week 4	(Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> January – Frid	lay	29 <sup>th</sup> January)
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Topic 13: Spatial Development Strategy (RD)  Issues Settlement Hierarchy Settlement Areas City Centre	BREAK	Topic 13: Spatial Development Strategy (RD)  issues (contd)  Settlement Hierarchy Settlement Areas City Centre
	Participants		Participants
	Settlement Hierarchy  • Belfast City Council		Settlement Hierarchy - continued from AM (if necessary)
	Settlement Areas  Belfast City Council Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter DFI - TPMU George Best City Airport  City Centre Belfast City Council Austin Smyth Belfast Harbour Belfast Harbour DFI - TPMU		Settlement Areas - continued from AM (if necessary)  City Centre - continued from AM (if necessary)

Tuesday
26 <sup>th</sup>
January

Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD)

#### Issues

- Accommodating new homes
- Windfall Housing
- Protection of existing residential accommodation
- Density of Residential Development

# **Participants**

# **Accommodating new homes**

- Belfast City Council
- Beechill Inns Limited
- Braidwater Homes
- DFI Planning
- DFI TPMU
- NI Housing Executive
- Kilmona Holdings Ltd
- Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council
- Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd

## Windfall Housing

- Belfast City Council
- Braidwater Ltd
- DFI Planning
- NI Housing Executive
- Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd

# Protection of existing residential accommodation

- Belfast City Council
- NI Housing Executive

### **Density of Residential Development**

- Belfast City Council
- Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter
- DFI TPMU
- Clanmil Housing Association
- Lagan Homes
- NI Housing Executive
- Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)
- Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd

Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) - contd

#### Issues

- Accommodating new homes
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## **Participants**

### **Accommodating new homes**

- continued from AM (if necessary)

## Windfall Housing

- continued from AM (if necessary)

# Protection of existing residential accommodation

- continued from AM (if necessary)

# **Density of Residential Development**

- continued from AM (if necessary)

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) - Contd	BRE/	Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) - Contd
January	Issue - Affordable housing	×	Issue - Affordable housing
	Participants		Participants
	Affordable housing		Affordable housing – continued from AM
	<ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter</li> <li>Braidwater homes</li> <li>Braidwater Ltd</li> <li>Clanmil Housing Association</li> <li>Kilmona holdings Ltd</li> <li>Lagan Homes</li> <li>NI Housing Executive</li> <li>Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)</li> </ul>		
	Wirefox and Bywater Properties Ltd		
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) -Contd from Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Roll Over Session if required
	Issues Protection of existing residential accommodation Density of Residential Development		
	Protection of existing residential accommodation  • Belfast City Council  • NI Housing Executive		
	<ul> <li>Density of Residential Development</li> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter</li> <li>DFI – TPMU</li> <li>Clanmil Housing Association</li> <li>Lagan Homes</li> <li>NI Housing Executive</li> <li>Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)</li> <li>Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd</li> </ul>		
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Free		Free

Week 5	(Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February – Frid	day	5 <sup>th</sup> February )
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) - Contd	BREA	Topic 14: Shaping a Liveable Place - Housing (RD) - Contd
	<ul> <li>Housing Mix</li> <li>Adaptable and Accessible accommodation</li> <li>Specialist Residential Accommodation</li> <li>Housing Management Areas</li> <li>PBMSA</li> </ul>		Issues     Housing Mix     Adaptable and Accessible accommodation     Specialist Residential Accommodation     Housing Management Areas     PBMSA
	Participants		Participants
	Housing Mix  Belfast City Council Belfast Harbour Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter Clanmil Housing Association Lagan Homes NI Housing Executive Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA) Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd  Adaptable and Accessible accommodation Belfast City Council Braidwater Ltd NI Housing Executive Wirefox and Bywater Properties Ltd		Housing Mix - Continued from AM (if necessary)  Adaptable and Accessible accommodation - Continued from AM (if necessary)  Specialist Residential Accommodation - Continued from AM (if necessary)  Housing Management Areas - Continued from AM (if necessary)  PBMSA - Continued from AM (if necessary)
	Belfast City Council     Belfast Harbour     Clanmil Housing Association     Kilmona holdings Ltd     Lagan Homes     NI Housing Executive     Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)  Housing Management Areas		
	<ul><li>Belfast City Council</li><li>NI Housing Executive</li></ul>		
	PBMSA  • Belfast City Council • NI Housing Executive		

Tuesday	Topic 15: Shaping a Liveable Place – Urban	<b></b>	Topic 15: Shaping a Liveable Place – Urban
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Design (RD)	BREAK	Design (RD) - contd
	<ul> <li>Principles of Urban Design</li> <li>Master planning approach for Major Development</li> <li>Tall Buildings</li> <li>Advertising &amp; Signage</li> </ul>		Issues (contd from am)     Principles of Urban Design     Master planning approach for Major Development     Tall Buildings     Advertising & Signage
	Participants		Participants
	Principles of Urban Design  Belfast City Council  DFI – Roads		Principles of Urban Design - Continued from AM (if necessary)
	<ul> <li>DFI – TPMU</li> <li>Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd</li> </ul>		Master planning approach for Major Development - Continued from AM (if necessary)
	Master planning approach for Major Development  • Belfast City Council  • DFI – Roads		Tall Buildings - Continued from AM (if necessary)  Advertising & Signage
	<ul> <li>DFI – TPMU</li> <li>Department of Communities -         Historic Environment Division</li> <li>Wirefox and Bywater Properties Ltd</li> </ul>		- Continued from AM (if necessary)
	<ul> <li>Tall Buildings</li> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Belfast Harbour</li> <li>Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter</li> <li>Clanmil Housing Association</li> <li>Department of Communities -</li> </ul>		
	Historic Environment Division  Lagan Homes  Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd  Wirefox and Bywater Properties Ltd		
	Advertising & Signage      Belfast City Council      DFI - Roads      Department of Communities -     Historic Environment Division      George Best City Airport		

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Topic 16: Shaping a Liveable Place – Residential Design) (RD)  Issues  New Residential Developments		Topic 16: Shaping a Liveable Place – Residential Design) (RD) - contd  Issues  New Residential Developments
	Participants		Participants
	New Residential Developments		New Residential Developments - Continued from AM
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Roll over day if required	BREAK	Roll over day if required
	Participants		Participants
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Free		Free

Week 6	(Monday 8 <sup>st</sup> February – Fri	day	12 <sup>th</sup> February )
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Topic 17: Shaping a Liveable Place – Built Heritage (JdeC)	BREA	Topic 17: Shaping a Liveable Place – Built Heritage (JdeC) - Contd
	Issues     Built Heritage     Listed Buildings	<b>K</b>	Issues Listed Buildings – (Contd if necessary) Conservation Areas
	Participants		Participants
	Built Heritage		<ul> <li>Listed Buildings</li> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division</li> </ul> Conservation Areas
	<ul> <li>Listed Buildings</li> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Department of Communities -</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>DFI - Planning</li> <li>Department of Communities - Historic</li> </ul>
	Historic Environment Division		Environment Division

Tuesday 9th Heritage (JdeC) - Contd    Ssues   Conservation Areas - Contd if necessary   Areas of Townscape Character	Issues  Areas of Townscape Character – (Contd if necessary)  Works to Grounds Affecting Built Heritage Assets  Archaeology  Parks, gardens & demenses of special historic interest
Conservation Areas  Belfast City Council DFI - Planning Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division  Areas of Townscape Character Belfast City Council Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division	Areas of Townscape Character  Belfast City Council Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division  Works to Grounds Affecting Built Heritage Assets Belfast City Council DFI - Planning Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division  Archaeology Belfast City Council Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division  Parks, gardens & demenses of special historic interest Belfast City Council DFI - Planning Department of Communities - Historic Environment Division

Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Topic 18: Shaping a Liveable Place — Community Cohesion and Good Relations (JdeC)  Issues  Community Cohesion and Good Relations  Topic 19: Shaping a Liveable Place — Promoting Healthy Communities (JdeC)  Issues  Promoting Health Communities  Topic 20: Shaping a Liveable Place — Community Infrastructure (JdeC)  Issues  Community Infrastructure	BREAK	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC)  Issues Inclusive economic growth Employment Land Supply
	Participants  Community Cohesion and Good Relations Belfast City Council Clanmil Housing Association Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)  Promoting Health Communities Belfast City Council DFI - TPMU  Community Infrastructure Belfast City Council		Participants  Inclusive economic growth  Belfast City Council  Employment Land Supply  Belfast City Council  Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter  DFI - Planning  Heron Bros  Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Roll over day if required  Participants	BREAK	Roll over day if required  Participants
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Free		Free

Week	(Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February )		
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Mid-Term		Mid-Term
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February			
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>			
February Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>			
February Friday			
19 <sup>th</sup> February			

Date         10.30am – 12.30 am           Monday         Topic 21 – Creating			2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday Topic 21 – Creating	a a Vibrant Faanamy		
February Issues	Growth (JdeC) - Contd	BREAK	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC) - Contd  Issues  Office Development (Contd)
and Titanic  DFI - Plannii Heron Bros Pragma Plan Developmen  Office Developmen Belfast City Belfast Ha and Titanic DFI - Plannii	Council cour Commissioners Quarter ng nning and nt Consultants Ltd t Council arbour Commissioners Quarter		Participants  Office Development  Belfast City Council Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter DFI - Planning Kennedy Shopping Centre

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Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC) - Contd  Issues  Office Development (Contd if necessary)  Major Employment and Strategic Employment Locations	BREAK	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC) – Contd  Issues  Major Employment and Strategic Employment Locations (Contd if necessary)
	Participants		Participants
	Office Development  Belfast City Council  Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter  DFI - Planning  Kennedy Shopping Centre  Major Employment and Strategic Employment Locations  Belfast City Council  Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter  DFI - Planning  DFI - TPMU  Heron Bros  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH		Major Employment and Strategic Employment Locations  Belfast City Council  Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter  DFI – Planning  DFI – TPMU  Heron Bros  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH

Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC) - Contd  Issues  Loss of Zoned Employment Land	BREAK	Topic 21 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Inclusive Economic Growth (JdeC) - Contd  Issues  Loss of Zoned Employment Land (Contd) Industry and Storage and Distribution Uses
	Participants  Loss of Zoned Employment Land  Belfast City Council  DFI – Planning  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH  Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd		Participants  Loss of Zoned Employment Land  Belfast City Council  DFI – Planning  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH Pragma Planning and Development Consultants Ltd  Industry and Storage and Distribution Uses  Belfast City Council  DFI – Planning  DFI – TPMU  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Roll over day if required		Roll over day if required
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Free		Free

Week 8	(Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> March – Frid	ay 5	<sup>th</sup> March)
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Topic 22: Creating a Vibrant Economy – Retail (RD)  Issues  Retail Policy Aims Establishing a Centre Hierarchy Out of Centre Development District Centres, Local Centres and City Corridors Retail Warehousing Primary Retail Area Temporary and Meanwhile Uses	BREAK	Topic 22 : Creating a Vibrant Economy – Retail (RD) - Contd  Issues  Retail Policy Aims Establishing a Centre Hierarchy Out of Centre Development District Centres, Local Centres and City Corridors Retail Warehousing Primary Retail Area Temporary and Meanwhile Uses
	Participants  Retail Policy Aims Belfast City Council DFI – TPMU Henderson Group Kennedy Shopping Centre Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH  Establishing a Centre Hierarchy Belfast City Council DFI – Planning Henderson Group Kennedy Shopping Centre Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH  Out of Centre Development Belfast City Council DFI – Planning DFI – TPMU Henderson Group Kennedy Shopping Centre Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH  District Centres, Local Centres and City Corridors Belfast City Council DFI – Planning DFI – Planning Title Centres, Local Centres and City Corridors Belfast City Council DFI – Planning DFI – TPMU Henderson Group Kennedy Shopping Centre		Retail Policy Aims Continued from AM (if necessary)  Establishing a Centre Hierarchy Continued from AM (if necessary)  Out of Centre Development Continued from AM (if necessary)  District Centres, Local Centres and City Corridors Continued from AM (if necessary)  Retail Warehousing Continued from AM (if necessary)  Primary Retail Area Continued from AM (if necessary)  Temporary and Meanwhile Use Continued from AM (if necessary)

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Retail Warehousing  Belfast City Council  DFI – Planning  Lidl Northern Ireland GmbH  Primary Retail Area Belfast City Council DFI – Planning  Temporary and Meanwhile Use Belfast City Council Belfast Harbour		
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Topic 23 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – City Centre (RD)  Issues  Development Opportunity Sites	BREAK	Topic 24 – Creating a Vibrant Economy – Tourism, Leisure and Culture (JdeC)  Issues  Tourism, Leisure & Culture Supporting tourism, Leisure and Cultural Development Existing Tourism Leisure and Cultural Facilities Overnight visitor accommodation
	Participants  Development Opportunity Sites  Belfast City Council  Belfast Harbour  Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter  DFI – TPMU  Wirefox and Bywater Properties Ltd		Tourism, Leisure & Culture

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Topic 25 – Building Connected and Resilient Place (RD) - Transportation  Issues  Transportation General Active Travel – Walking and Cycling Transport Assessment Travel Plan Access to Public Roads	BREAK	Topic 25 – Building Connected and Resilient Place (RD) - Transportation – (Contd)  Issues Access to Protected Routes Car parking and Servicing Arrangements
	Participants  Transportation General  Belfast City Council  Austin Smyth  DFI – TPMU  George Best City Airport  Active Travel – Walking and Cycling  Belfast City Council  DFI – TPMU  Transport Assessment  Belfast City Council  DFI – TPMU  Transport Assessment  Belfast City Council  DFI – TPMU  DFI – Roads  Travel Plan  Belfast City Council  DFI – TPMU  DFI – Roads  Access to Public Roads  Belfast City Council  DFI – Roads		Access to Protected Routes
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Roll over day if required		Roll over day if required
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Free		Free

Week 9	(Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March – Frida	y 12¹	<sup>th</sup> March )
Date	10.30am – 12.30 am		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Topic 25 – Building Connected and Resilient Place (RD) - Transportation - contd  Issues Parking Standards with areas of Parking Restraint Design of Car Parking Provision of Public and Private Car Parks Temporary Car Parks  Topic 26 – Delivery  Topic 27 - "Errors and suggested minor modifications"	BREAK	Topic 26 – Delivery (Continued if necessary)  Topic 27 - "Errors and suggested minor modifications" (Continued if necessary)  Topic 28 – Close (Continued if necessary)
	Participants  Parking Standards with areas of Parking Restraint  Belfast City Council Belfast Harbour Commissioners and Titanic Quarter		Participants  Delivery  Belfast City Council  Errors and suggested minor modifications"
	<ul> <li>Clanmil Housing Association</li> <li>DFI – TPMU</li> <li>DFI – Roads</li> <li>Lagan Homes</li> <li>Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> <li>Close</li> <li>Belfast City Council</li> </ul>
	Design of Car Parking Belfast City Council DFI – Roads		
	Provision of Public and Private Car Parks		
	Temporary Car Parks		
	Delivery  Belfast City Council		

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Errors and suggested minor modifications"  Belfast City Council	
	Close  Belfast City Council	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Roll over day if required</li> </ul>	Roll over day if required
March		