

Appendix 1: Replacement Local Development Plan Vision and Objectives

Vision

To create a fair, healthy, more liveable, sustainable/low carbon city within a thriving city region by:

- Tackling the challenges of the climate emergency and post-pandemic recovery;
- Creating a green fair and strong city that enhances the health of the current population and wellbeing of future generations;
- Meeting future needs for new low carbon homes, jobs and infrastructure;
- Developing a high accessibility city that reshapes movement around a core of active travel and public transport usage;
- Using placemaking, high quality design, sustainability management and working with local communities to create a thriving city centre and local neighbourhoods/centres;
- Enhancing our natural, historic and cultural assets.

Objectives

1. Responding to our future needs

Objective 1. Provide MORE and better quality low carbon homes to address future housing needs. The Plan will:

- Provide a range and choice of new homes of different tenure, type and location in response to specific housing needs, including responding to the needs of older people, Gypsy and Travellers and other groups who need specialised housing
- Prioritise opportunities for new homes in city and local centres and sustainable brownfield locations
- Set targets for the delivery of affordable housing
- Establish controls for the sub-division of existing homes, including flat conversions and HMOs
- Require new homes and development are zero carbon by 2025

Objective 2. Provide more jobs and maximise Cardiff's role as Capital City of Wales and economic driver of South East Wales to improve the prosperity of the region. The Plan will:

- Ensure a range and choice of employment sites in response to employment needs
- Prioritise opportunities for new employment sites in the city centre and sustainable brownfield locations
- Ensure the development of high-value clusters of specialist sectors
- Ensure the protection of existing employment land which contributes to the required supply of sites to meet employment needs

- Ensure the economic recovery of the city post-Covid-19 and respond to the change in work practices through enhancing the city centre, increased working from home and need for new working and meeting hubs throughout the city.

Objective 3. Ensure the adequate and timely provision of new infrastructure to support communities and future growth. The Plan will:

- Identify key infrastructure required, how and when it will be delivered including:
 - Transportation- Rebalance infrastructure to support public transport, comprehensive cycle and pedestrian infrastructure, and Metro
 - Affordable, high quality digital infrastructure
 - Social/Community Infrastructure
 - Schools, health facilities, sport/recreation, waste facilities, burial provision, water wastewater, energy
 - Environmental - Contributions to combat climate change, creating new accessible greenspace and public realm
- Support Cardiff's higher education institutions/ infrastructure in recognition of their key role as part of a learning city and contribution to economic development
- Establish measures to improve digital connectivity across the city to meet the demand from increased working from home post covid and facilitate new working meeting hubs across the city.
- Introduce a CIL for new development in the Central and Bay Business Area to ensure the provision of infrastructure to support the comprehensive regeneration and upgrade of City Centre and Cardiff Bay.

2. Creating a sustainable and healthy city which responds to the challenges of climate change and enhances the wellbeing of future generations

Objective 4. Respond to the climate emergency so Cardiff becomes more resilient and maximises opportunities for energy-efficient solutions in line with the One Planet Cardiff Strategy to become a carbon neutral city by 2030. The Plan will:

- Set out how Cardiff will become a zero carbon city, Council and Key Partners by 2030 and beyond to combat the impacts of climate change including:
 - The role of ecosystems in addressing carbon storage, natural flood management, air quality, heat islands and noise pollution
 - Policies to deliver zero carbon new developments
 - Managing flood risk
 - Ensure the provision of infrastructure for cleaner vehicles
- Set out measures to reduce Cardiff's carbon footprint and mitigate the effects of climate change through reducing energy demand including:
 - Locating development in sustainable locations to minimise the need to travel and reduce car dependency

- Improve energy efficiency and the generation of renewable and low carbon energy
 - Ensure the delivery of Phase 1 and Phase 2 of a Local Heat Network for Cardiff Bay and the City Centre
 - Ensuring an increase in tree canopy cover across the city and support wider biodiversity
- Ensure high quality design and environmental performance of new homes

Objective 5. Make the city easier to move around with a focus on sustainable and active travel. The Plan will:

- Set out how people can move around the city in a more sustainable, healthy and integrated manner with new development well located to transport infrastructure
- Remove congestion in the city and ensure emissions meet the air quality standards
- Ensure the delivery of bus and cycling infrastructure
- Ensure that local centres and the city centre become more viable and accessible
- Ensure a high quality pedestrian environment and public realm
- Ensure delivery of the modal split and active travel target aligned with the Transport White Paper targets
- Deliver the proposed Metro/Crossrail mass transit system for Cardiff
- Promote sustainable forms of transport and the more effective integration of public transport including new transport interchanges
- Integrate new development with national and regional investment in sustainable transport infrastructure including the Metro.

Objective 6. Create healthier environments, reduce inequalities and improve and enhance wellbeing. The Plan will:

- Deliver equality of opportunity and access for all through addressing imbalances of inequality, deprivation and exclusion, particularly disadvantaged sections of society such as the homeless, unemployed, BAME groups and immigrants
- Ensure the delivery of healthy accessible environments to help tackle obesity, gambling addiction and access to local healthy food and promote healthier lifestyles
- Ensure strong and cohesive communities which recognise Cardiff's commitment to make Cardiff a Child Friendly City and Age Friendly City
- Set out how air quality and water quality standards can be achieved
- Promote the role of greenspaces, green streets and public realm improvements, in delivering wellbeing benefits
- Manage waste, ensure reuse and recycling and control pollution
- Ensure the regeneration of the city centre into a healthy, accessible, green, high quality environment and experience for all.
- Deliver the regeneration of local neighbourhoods and local centres, particularly the communities in the Southern Arc
- Ensure safer environments which reduce the scope for crime
- Facilitate equitable access and opportunity to Welsh Medium education in all areas of the city so that the language continues to thrive.

- Promote the provision of services and jobs in areas of highest need to reduce inequalities
- Promote the role of natural and hard infrastructure to reduce noise pollution.

Objective 7. Ensuring a vibrant, thriving mixed-use City Centre and developing Cardiff Bay's full potential to provide core destinations for Cardiff and beyond, whilst ensuring vibrant and thriving district and local retail centres as the heart of local neighbourhoods. The Plan will:

- Maximise the key strategic role of the City Centre as a high density, major financial service sector and social hub of national significance and generate the agglomeration effect in attracting further investment
- Ensure the comprehensive regeneration and upgrade of the city centre into a high quality, vibrant, green, inclusive, accessible, curated major 'destination environment'
- Maximise the potential for high density mixed use development related to the regional sustainable transport hub at Central Square
- Support the ability of the city centre and expansion areas to adapt by ensuring the presumption of mixed uses and further investment alongside the key retail role
- Continue the regeneration of land south of the regional transport hub, and connecting to Cardiff Bay.
- Expand the retail role of the city centre into Cardiff Bay to develop Cardiff Bay's full potential as a core destination for Cardiff and beyond.
- Bring forward the Canal Quarter development to create a major new city centre destination, reconnecting the city to its riverfront and opening up new public spaces.
- Ensure centres can operate as flexibly as possible where a variety of retail, employment, commercial, community, leisure, health and public sector uses come together in a hub of activity to make them viable as go-to destinations once more by setting out a vision for each centre, establishing boundaries and identifying sites for redevelopment.
- Promote a new chapter in the regeneration of Cardiff Bay (within the city centre policy designation) as a high density, mixed-use destination with :
 - The provision of supporting sustainable transport infrastructure including Crossrail between Central Station, the Bay and Newport Road – including the regeneration around new stations City, Lloyd George Avenue, the Bay, Ocean Way, Splott and Newport road areas.
 - Enable the regeneration of Lloyd George Avenue area
 - Enhancements to the Mount Stuart Square area and development of an arena at Atlantic Wharf including linkages to the Bay Waterfront
 - Future phases for the International Sports Village site
 - Regeneration of Cardiff Docklands, including the Roath Dock/ Roath Basin and Alexandra Head areas.

Objective 8. Ensure that the city positively adapts to the new challenges posed by the implications of the pandemic. The Plan will:

- Pick up on lessons learned to ensure that the city is more resilient and adaptable in the event of future pandemics
- Ensure the economic recovery of the city after the pandemic has passed and restrictions eased
- Identify wider changes required which also help the decarbonisation agenda, tackle climate change and improve general health and well-being
- Identify any required positive permanent changes in places and as part of new development
- Respond to the change in work practices post- Covid through increased working from home and need for new working and meeting hubs throughout the city.

Objective 9. To use a placemaking approach which creates sustainable places, improves the city centre and neighbourhoods, maximises regeneration opportunities, enhances the role of public spaces, ensures that future growth can be effectively managed and delivers developments of high quality design. The Plan will:

Use the placemaking principles as an overarching approach in plan-making to create great places in new and existing locations and ensure:

- Ensure that high quality architecture, landscape design and placemaking are a priority for all new development, housing, buildings, places, streets and green spaces
- People and Community – The needs, health and well-being of all people are considered at the outset
- Location - Development is promoted in the most sustainable locations and land is efficiently used with a 'brownfield first' priority
- Movement - Sustainable and active travel are promoted as part of a more integrated movement network
- Mix of Uses - Promote high density mixed-use development
- Public Realm - Well designed and connected public spaces
- Identity - Features of local distinctiveness are respected in new development
- Ensure High quality design architecture and landscape design of new development.

3. Looking after our natural, historic and cultural assets

Objective 10. Ensure the resilience of ecosystems by protecting and enhancing Cardiff's Green and blue Infrastructure, its biodiversity and other natural assets. The Plan will:

- Make Cardiff an exemplar green city by ensuring the resilience of ecosystems
- Identify and set out how key natural assets of the city will be protected and enhanced including:
 - Open spaces, parks and allotments
 - Enhance the access to strategically important river valleys of the Ely, Taff, Nant fawr and Rhymney

- The countryside, including strategically important 'green backdrop' formed by the ridge north of the City
- Cardiff's rich biodiversity and wildlife resource including designated sites and other features/ networks including trees and hedgerows.
- Protect and enhance the wider role that green infrastructure can play in contributing to tackling climate change and providing healthy environments
- Ensure natural resources are protected including mineral and sand/gravel resources and reserves.

Objective 11. Protect and enhance Cardiff's historic and cultural assets together with supporting sustainable tourism and cultural sectors. The Plan will:

- Identify and set out how key historic and cultural assets of the city will be protected and enhanced including:
 - The city's Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, Ancient Monuments, Registered Historic Landscapes and areas of archaeological importance
 - Other non-designated features which make important contributions to Cardiff's historic and cultural distinctiveness
- Develop a joined up plan to enhance and improve the city centre and local centres.
- Maximise Cardiff's role as an international tourism destination and host city of major events
- Set out how Cardiff's night time economy and music scene can form part of a vibrant and diverse city centre
- Set out how the Welsh Language can be protected and enhanced in line with relevant legislation.