


# **Business Bulletin**

## **Planning Committee**

**10.00am, Friday, 24 March 2023**

## Planning Committee

| Convener:   | Members:   | Contacts:   |
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| <p>Councillor James Dalgleish</p>  | <p>Councillor Alan Beal<br/>Councillor Chas Booth<br/>Councillor Lezley Marion Cameron<br/>Councillor Neil Gardiner<br/>Councillor Euan Hyslop<br/>Councillor Tim Jones<br/>Councillor Amy McNeese-Mechan<br/>Councillor Joanna Mowat<br/>Councillor Kayleigh O'Neill<br/>Councillor Hal Osler</p> | <p>Martin Scott<br/>Committee Services<br/><a href="mailto:martin.scott@edinburgh.gov.uk">martin.scott@edinburgh.gov.uk</a></p> <p>David Givan<br/>Chief Planning Officer and Head of Building Standards<br/><a href="mailto:david.givan@edinburgh.gov.uk">david.givan@edinburgh.gov.uk</a></p> |

**City Plan 2030 update**

On 20 February 2023 the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals confirmed the appointment of Ms Claire Milne as Reporter for the Examination of City Plan 2030 along with the commencement of the first part of the Examination, of the Statement of Conformity with the Participation Statement (see Appendix 1). Other Reporters may be appointed to assist with the Examination.

The Examination of the plan and the unresolved representations, as set out in the Schedule 4 documents approved at Planning Committee on 30 November 2022, will commence on the conclusion of the first part of the Examination or four weeks (20 March 2023) from the date of the appointment of the Reporter, whichever is the later.

The above is being advertised in accordance with statutory requirements.

**Contact:**

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City Plan Programme Director

**Seafield update**

Following the update to January Planning Committee, Members asked for further clarification of membership.

The elected member representation on the Seafield Sounding Board was set by the Policy and Sustainability Committee on 20 April 2021 and 3 August 2021. The Committee has not specified or restricted the wider membership of the Sounding Board which is modelled after the Fountainbridge Sounding Board. Membership of the Sounding Board by community councils and other community organisations is on the basis of the organisation itself being represented, not by named individuals; the individual representing each organisation will vary from time to time depending upon availability. In principle, this can result in more than one individual attending from the organisations in question, but this is not considered to be of concern given attendance at the Sounding Board does not confer voting rights.

As the Seafield regeneration is aimed to be an exemplar of community-led regeneration, Council officers have been keen to encourage widespread community participation. The size and composition of the Sounding Board are not considered to be of concern at this time but could be

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revisited in future if the chair were to take the view that the Sounding Board was unwieldly.

As such, meeting notes will reflect the attendance, without specifying membership. Please note that Ewan Aitken has resigned as Chair and Councillor Joan Griffiths chaired the Board on an interim basis while Board members have been asked to nominate a replacement Chair.

It is expected that the outputs of the engagement and design process, in a masterplan and place brief, will be ready in July of this year and will be reported to Planning Committee in due course.

### **Student Accommodation**

Following the market update to January Planning Committee, Members asked questions about Purpose Built Student Accommodation (PBSA). Officers advised they would share mapping of the concentration of PBSA as an update (Appendix 2).

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## Appendix 1

Planning and Environmental Appeals Division

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City of Edinburgh Council

Sent By E-mail

Our ref: LDP-230-3

Planning Authority ref: CP2030submission

20 February 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

### **EDINBURGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - PROPOSED CITY PLAN 2030**

### **THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT PLANNING) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008**

I am writing in response to your letter of 8 December 2022 to advise you that on 20 February 2023 Scottish Ministers appointed Ms Claire Milne BSc(Hons), DipTP, MBA, MRTPI to carry out the examination of the above proposed plan in accordance with Section 19 of the Town and Country Planning Scotland Act 1997 (as amended).

The reporter will now commence the examination of conformity with the planning authority's participation statement as required by Section 19(4) of the Act. I can also confirm that to comply with Section 19(7) of the Act, the examination of the above proposed plan under Section 19(3) of the Act will not commence until the examination of conformity with the participation statement has concluded, or until four weeks from the date of the appointment of the reporter, whichever is the latter. Therefore, the earliest date upon which the examination of issues raised in representations will commence is 20 March 2023.

Please note that additional reporters may be appointed to aid the speedy delivery of the report and you will be advised of any further appointments.

Attached is a sample press notice and sample letter, which you may wish to use to notify parties that the proposed plan has been submitted for examination. Please advise when parties have been notified and which newspaper the press notice has been published in and date.

For budgeting purposes, I can confirm that we will be charging a daily rate for reporters and development plan administrators of £400 and £160 respectively.

Information about the examination and the issues being addressed by the reporters can also be found on our publication website at:

<https://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/CaseDetails.aspx?id=122878>

Further guidance on the examination process is available from the Scottish Government's website using the weblink below:

<https://beta.gov.scot/policies/planning-architecture/development-plans/>

A guidance note that explains development plan examinations for people who have submitted representations is available at the weblink below:

<https://beta.gov.scot/publications/development-plan-representations-guidance/>

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me using the contact details above.

Yours sincerely

*Morag Smith*

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# Purpose built student accommodation

