

Title of Report: Draft LDP Workplan	Officer presenting: Principal Planning Officer
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 The purpose of this Paper is to provide Members with a potential Workplan for officials to work with Members and the public / stakeholders to deliver the initial stages of the new Local Development Plan 2030 (LDP) for Derry City and Strabane District.
- 1.2 This Paper is to be read in conjunction with Items 6, 8 and 9 on this Agenda.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Papers at Items 6 and 9 on this Agenda set out the key tasks and structures involved in preparation of the new Local Development Plan 2030 for Derry City and Strabane District.

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 A summary is attached at Appendix 2 of the proposed Overview of the LDP Workplan, as well as the proposals for the immediate programme of Discussion Papers and Workshops up to Preferred Options Paper Stage. These are for Member consideration and input before 'finalising' in line with the formal LDP Timetable to be published (Item 8)

4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR and Other Implications

- 4.1 As stated for Item 6, there are financial, legal and HR implications associated with this report. The DOE has agreed to finance a notional cost of the first LDP (at £26k p.a. over 15 years, plus staff costs for the initial years). An LDP Risk Assessment will be prepared in order to identify any factors that are currently unpredictable, especially in terms of potential to significantly affect the timescales or budget. Planning officials will continue to liaise with Council HR officers to ensure adequate staffing levels and with Finance officers to quantify and minimise any uncertainty, thus to ensure appropriate budget cover and value for money.
- 4.2 The preparation of the LDP is a statutory requirement, subject to scrutiny and sanction from the DOE. There is also potential for legal challenges throughout the LDP process.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 Members are requested to consider the contents of this Paper, for discussion with Planning officials.

Background Papers

Appendix 2 - DRAFT LDP Workplan