

THE WEST LOTHIAN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (LDP)

CONSULTATION RESPONSE PORTAL

Have Your Say on the Proposed Plan

Introduction

West Lothian Council has published its Proposed Plan together with supporting documents including an Environmental Report (SEA), Habitats Regulation Appraisal, Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and Equalities & Human Rights Impact Assessment. These can be viewed on the West Lothian Council website at www.westlothian.gov.uk/proposedplan.

If you wish to make representations on the Proposed Plan or associated documents you are encouraged to use this online consultation portal. It's quick and easy and will help us to process representations more efficiently, reducing the overall cost and environmental impact of the exercise.

You do not need to complete this questionnaire in a single visit. Just simply put your Survey Reference Number (CODE) in the top right corner of the screen to allow you to continue with your submission at a later date.

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It is important that all representations are submitted no later than midnight on Sunday 22 November 2015. Representations received after that time will not be considered.

Your comments should be concise, having regard to paragraph 84 of Scottish Government Circular 6/2013: Development Planning which states that representations should be no more than 2,000 words plus any limited supporting productions.

Data Protection Statement

Please be aware that when you make representations on the Proposed Plan through the consultation portal (and/or in a conventional written format) personal information provided as part of a representation cannot be treated as confidential. Representations require to be made available online and for public inspection at the council's office (this would include your name but would exclude any information which would be subject to the Data Protection Act 1998 i.e. signature, postal address, telephone number, email).

We are also required to pass these details to the Scottish Government's Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA). This is because they may at a later date wish to invite you to an Examination in Public of the Proposed Plan to discuss your representation.

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Your Details

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	as a representative of a public organisation (and representing the views of that organisation)				
	as an agent (and making comments on behalf of other individuals that you represent or third parties)				
	other				

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2. FOREWORD (pa	ge 4) e Leader of the Council estal	olishes the ro e of the	LDP and how it will h	e p deliver the counci	l's core objectives.
Do you wish to make a o	comment?				
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C no					
Please use the text box	below for comments.				

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Whilst I have some confidence that much of the proposed LDP will assist the council as it endeavours to play its part in developing a resilient, robust and dynamic economy and an enhanced urban and rural environment and I accept and support this aspiration - but I wish to raise an objection to one specific residential development being included (Ref: H-WI 2, East Coxydene Farm) appears to be aimed at exploiting an Edinburgh commuter market and 'de-ruralising' this small community.
The proposed building of 25 houses at Wilkieston (H-WI 2) will impact on my family's life by removing a very key element of why we chose to move here from Edinburgh nearly 10 years ago. My home situation is set back from the main road (A71) and from my kitchen and garden I have a wonderful view north west ove a rural landscape that is very much valued for its privacy and aesthetic value. This situation which was a prime reason for us purchasing the home in 2006, will be completely removed if the 25 houses are constructed on this site.
Whilst the development may bring advantages such as improved utilities - gas supply, broadband that such a development would or may bring and may be required as part of new build standards?.
The foreword claims to be concerned with 'developing more sustainable local communities' but I fail to see how the addition of the 75 or so residential units if H-WI 1 and H-WI 2 considered together, will make more sustainable? That particular point requires qualification in regard to I further understand that there is a shortage of affordable homes nationally and that every Local Authority is required to identify sites which can be developed for new homes, but I don't believe that the 25 homes being proposed here are essential in contributing to any quota. Indeed, I suggest that the location is aimed at exploiting the City of Edinburgh housing and labour market demand. The poor public transport links, and proximity to local schools - even with free school transport - perhaps do not make it that affordable to young families on low incomes unless they have their own transport. Again this seems contrary to affordability and sustainability arguments?
I am not clear whether the access road is only from the A71 to the west of Lyndean Terrace or whether this will have an access road to the north of the Angela Elizabeth Nursery on the B7030 Bonnington Road? But either way the increase of traffic - during construction of both sites proposed in will no doubt lead to the increase in heavy vehicles using the B7030 which is at barely tolerable levels now. The number of tipper vehicles on this road is at a barely tolerable level and we already suffer from these vehicles blocking the exit of my lane when either waiting to enter A71 or when jumping lights when turning from A71. I have had several near misses due to inconsiderate drivers here.
However, I am sympathetic to much of the Local Development Plan but wish to make clear my objection to the residential development specifically at H-WI 2, as I see this will have little impact on the lives of every resident of West Lothian ,but it will on me and my family as well as some of my neighbours - but a negative impact in terms of quality of life.
2. PACKGROUND (page 6. paragraphs 1.1.1.5)
3. BACKGROUND (page 6, paragraphs 1.1-1.5)
Provides a brief historical context to the economic development of West Lothian which helps explain how settlements established and have developed.
Do you wish to make a comment?
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4 CONTEXT (and 7 annually 2.4.2.2)
4. CONTEXT (page 7, paragraphs 2.1-2.2)
Provides wider context for the LDP in geographic terms and explains how the LDP fits with the Strategic Development Plan (SDP1).
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5. ROLE AND PURPOSE OF PLAN (page 7, paragraphs 3.1-3.5)
Establishes the role and purpose of the LDP in terms of its being a material consideration in the determination of any planning applications for developme in West Lothian and, when adopted by the Council, will replace the West Lothian Local Plan. It also sets out what documents the plan must comply with i
the P anning etc (Scotland) Act 2006 and what documents will accompany the p an i.e. the Action Programme etc.

Do you wish to make a comment?

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6. '	VISION STATE	MENT AND AIMS (page 8, paragraphs 4.1-4.3)
Eco	nomic Developmer	for the LDP in terms of outcomes desired over the plan period and identifies the key aims of the plan by individual subject areas i.e. nt & Growth, Community Regeneration, Sustainable Housing Locations, Infrastructure Requirements and Delivery, Town Centres and and Historic Environment, Climate Change and Renewable Energy and Waste and Minerals.
Do y	ou wish to make a	a comment?
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lf yo	ou wish to make co	omments p ease begin by selecting the relevant sub-section(s) of Vision Statement and Aims from the list below.
V	Economic Develo	pment and Growth (page 8)
V	Community Rege	neration (page 8)
V	Sustainable Hous	ring Locations (page 9)
	Infrastructure Re	equirements and Delivery (page 9)
	Town Centres an	d Retailing (page 9)
	The Natural and	Historic Environment (page 9)
	Climate Change	and Renewable Energy (page 9)
	Waste and Miner	als (page 9)
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Cor Reg	owth (page 8) nmunity generation ge 8)	I fail to see the connection between Community Regeneration and the inclusion of the H-WI 2 brown field site for 25 residential units. There are no amenities in a currently, it is over 9 years since the sub post office and local shop closed, indeed the shop has now been converted to a house.
Sus	tainable using Locations ge 9)	Ensure that all essential infrastructure and facilities are provided to support population and economic growth and where appropriate, secure proportional developer contributions to facilitate the delivery of such provision. It is important to note that without the necessary infrastructure requirements having been satisfactorily addressed the council will be unable to support development proposals. The previous sentence lifted from the LDP will provide a significant challenge to any developer - unless the community benefits are only expected to benefit the residents of the new homes planned to be built. Is the qualitiy of services, public transport, utility supplies (gas and broadband) only considered for Communities if they are subject to new developments. Same question applies to notion of Community Regeneration?
In th	ne context of the	STRATEGY (INCLUDING POLICY FRAMEWORK) (page 10, paragraphs 5.1-5.10) Strategic Development Plan (SDP), the LDP identifies West Lothian as being one of thirteen Strategic Development Areas where ocused in sustainable locations where infrastructure is either available or can be provided and in locations where there are no aints.
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If yo	ou wish to make co	omments p ease begin by selecting the relevant sub-section(s) of the Spatial Strategy from the list below.







Economic Development and Growth (page 12, paragraphs 5.11-5.22)
Flexibility within traditional industrial estates (page 14, paragraphs 5.24-5.25)
Enterprise Areas (page 17, paragraphs 5.24-5.25)
Local business opportunities, small business start-ups and working from home (page 17, paragraph 5.26)
Tourism (page 17, paragraphs 5.27-5.28)
Promoting community regeneration (page 19, paragraphs 5.29-5.35)
Housing land requirements for the LDP (page 20, paragraphs 5.36-5.49)
Effective Housing Land and Generous Supply (page 23, paragraphs 5.50-5.53)
New Housing Sites and Design (page 24, paragraphs 5.4-5.56)
Strategic Allocations (including previously identified Core Development Area Allocations) (page 25, paragraphs 5.57-5.61)
Whitburn/Charette (page 26, paragraph 5.62)
Linlithgow and Linlithgow Bridge (page 26-27)
Deans South, Livingston; Area for Comprehensive Re-development (page 27, paragraph 5.68)
Affordable Housing (page 27, paragraphs 5.69-5.74)
Accommodation for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Show People (page 29, paragraph 5.75)
Residential Care and Supported Accommodation (page 29, paragraphs 5.76-5.77)
Infrastructure Requirements and Delivery (page 30, paragraphs 5.78-5.84)
Providing for Community Needs (page 32, paragraphs 5.85-5.88)
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A801 Corridor (page 35, paragraphs 5.116-5.117)
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Former Bangour Village Hospital, Dechmont (page 56, paragraph 5.189)
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Historic Battlefields (page 60, paragraph 5.202)
Archaeology (page 60, paragraph 5.203)
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Vacant and Derelict Land (page 72, paragraphs 5.249-5.250)
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8. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL BY SETTLEMENT (page	79)

Provides details of development proposals which are supported by the LDP in each town and village across West Lothian and assigns each one a unique reference for ease of identification.

Do you wish to make a comment?

yes

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If you wish to make comments p ease begin by selecting the relevant Sett ement(s) from the list below.

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	Uphall Station (page 94)
	West Calder & Harburn (page 95)
	Westfield (page 95)
	Whitburn (page 96)
V	Wilkieston (page 97)
	Winchburgh (page 97)
Pleas	se enter site reference(s)/proposals reference (as appropriate) and location/site address below.
	eference/ Location / Site Address can be found in the relevant Settlement Statement
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Will	eieston (page 97) H-WI 2 East Coxydene Farm
Pleas	se use the text box below for comments.
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Comment

OBJECTIOIL. I wish to object to the proposed development for 25 homes on the site at as it will impact on the quality of life I have, and which was a prime reason for me moving from Edinburgh nearly 10 years ago. The new development will obscure a landscape vista I have valued since I moved to this address as well as impacting on my privacy which will be affected by being surrounded by houses where none exist at present. Accepting that my single view point may not be a prime concern for many, I believe that the character of where I live, and major reason for moving here in the first place will forever removed. And this vista and situation was one I had intended to enjoy well into the future and even in to my own retirement. I do understand the need for new homes and shortage of affordable houses across the country, but I believe that the inclusion of the 25 proposed here are more about a landowner profit than a genuine or significant contribution to the stock of affordable houses or the regeneration of the community. It is unclear or unspecified whether the proposed homes are for social rent or private sale, I presume the latter. Given that there is little by way of amenities in including poor and relatively costly public transport if considered against the quality of service, lack of gas supply, no connection to mains sewerage (septic tanks), and poor Broadband coverage the affordability seems further tested. If the development did need to go ahead why couldn't the area between the East Coxydene Farm and to the west of Lyndene Terrace be developed. This could be set back parallel with the A71, using the same proposed access but be extended west. The current proposed location offers no advantage in terms of where it is planned to be. It is not closer to anything? And if the 25 new homes

	were built where I suggest, they would not	impinge on any of the existing properties?
9. APPENDI	CES (page 99)	
A number of ap	ppendices are included at the end of the LDP which provides additional	detail on specific elements of the Proposed Plan.
Do you wish to	make a comment?	
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If you wish to r	make comments p ease begin by selecting the relevant Appendix(es) of	the Proposed Plan from the list below.
☐ Appendix	1 - Employment Land Allocations (page 99)	
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10. GLOSSA	ARY (page 280)	
An exp anation	of unfamiliar terms or expressions used in the LDP is provided to assist	understanding of the document.
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11. PROPO	SALS MAPS	

The LDP comprises a series of five maps which define settlement boundaries and illustrate land use zonings.

Do you wish to make a comment?

Wilkieston

(page 97)

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If you	ı wish to ma	ke comments p ease begin by selecting the releva	nt Proposals Maps from the list below.	
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12.	ACCOMP	ANYING DOCUMENTS		
Along	gside the LD	P is a suite of documents which are required by st	atute as part of the preparation and supporting evidence for the LDP.	
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	Strategic Fl	ood Risk Assessment (SFRA).		
	Habitats Re	gulations Appraisal.		
	Transport A	ppraisal (TA).		
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Please use the text box below for your additional comments on the LDP.
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