

Issue 1		Vision and Objectives	
Development plan reference:	2.2 - Vision Statement, page 17 2.3 - Key Objectives, page 18	Reporter: David Buylla	
Body or person(s) submitting a representation raising the issue (including reference number):			
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Provision of the development plan to which the issue relates:	LDP Vision and Objectives		
Planning authority's summary of the representation(s):			
<u>Vision</u> Homes for Scotland (10214/1/007): The vision has no timetable unlike TAYplan (Core_Doc_099). Stewart Milne Homes (10080/15/002): The LDP is a forward looking document and needs to consider needs and demands as well as the requirements of SPP (Core_Doc_048) and TAYplan (Core_Doc_099). J W Farquharson/G D Strawson (09117/5/001): The vision statement does not adequately explain why such a large proportion of growth to 2024 is focused on peripheral expansion of Perth with no discussion of reasonable alternatives. This puts all of the eggs in one basket and does not adequately consider the environmental and sustainability benefits of creating a new growth point to complement this peripheral growth of the city which is necessary given the population and household growth forecasts over the plan period. It would be prudent to identify strategic growth around 'The Horn' in the Carse of Gowrie (refers Vision Document for the Horn Grange (Core_Doc_098)). Scottish Environment Protection Agency (03194/19/001): Scotland's Zero Waste Plan (Core_Doc_042) contains aims and objectives for local authorities to work towards. The inclusion of text within the vision statement which promotes the Zero Waste message would demonstrate the Council's positive approach towards planning for sustainable resource use. Helen & Xander McDade (09502/1/002): Reference is made throughout the SEA (Core_Doc_087) to the importance of sustainable development. It must be remembered that environmental quality is an essential part of that, not something which is traded			

against perceived economic benefit. Since Perth and Kinross relies heavily on tourism, this link is particularly explicit. The quality of the environment itself is the key driver for a lot of the economic activity; therefore the environment within the area must be one of the most important considerations within any development planning.

TACTRAN (09203/1/001); Carse of Gowrie Sustainability Group (00788/1/002); Fiona Ross (00786/1/001); Jim Pritchard (09104/1/001); Portmoak Community Council (00638/1/003): Support the Plan as written.

Objectives

Arklay Guthrie (09692/8/001); Heather Brand (00275/1/003); The Gleneagles Hotel (09004/7/001); Auchtergaven Community Council (10045/1/001); Universities Superannuation Scheme Ltd (00844/1/001); Manse LLP (00850/1/001): Support the Plan as written.

Modifications sought by those submitting representations:

Vision

Homes for Scotland (10214/1/007): A timescale should be included within the vision in line with TAYplan (Core_Doc_099).

Stewart Milne Homes (10080/15/002): The vision should detail how Perth and Kinross will actually deliver sites in the Plan period and ensure a 5 year housing land supply is also available at the end of the Plan period.

J W Farquharson/G D Strawson (09117/5/001): The Vision Statement should include reference to identifying a strategic growth point in the Carse of Gowrie in the vicinity of Grange to meet needs towards the latter stage of the LDP i.e. 2019 onwards.

Scottish Environment Protection Agency (03194/19/001): Add the following sentence to section 2.2: *'We want to put a Plan in place that will enable us to live a Zero Waste lifestyle, maximising the value from waste resources'*.

Helen & Xander McDade (09502/1/002): No specific change sought but it is implied that the vision should more strongly emphasise the importance of environmental quality as an element of sustainable development.

Summary of responses (including reasons) by planning authority:

Vision

Homes for Scotland (10214/1/007): The LDP vision is continuous rather than an end target. As recognised in LDP paragraph 2.2.7 achieving the Plan's vision will transcend the period of this Plan. There is a strategic target of 2032 for the achieving of the overall SDP vision and it is not therefore considered necessary or appropriate for the LDP to set a separate timescale.

No modification is proposed to the Plan.

Stewart Milne Homes (10080/15/002): The Council cannot deliver sites on the ground; this is down to the development industry. The Council can only allocate sites through the LDP process and put in place mechanisms such as developer contributions to help facilitate the bringing forward of these sites. The maintenance of a 5 year effective housing land supply will be monitored through the annual Housing Land Audit as per

PAN 2/2010 paragraph 45 (S4_Doc_594) and the bi-annual Action Programme.

No modification is proposed to the Plan.

J W Farquharson/G D Strawson (09117/5/001): TAYplan defines the spatial strategy with the bulk of growth directed to principal settlements. TAYplan Policy 5c (S4_Doc_062) presumes *'against land releases in areas surrounding the Dundee and Perth Core Areas, including the Carse of Gowrie, where it would prejudice the delivery of Strategic Development Areas or regeneration within the core areas'*. This approach was endorsed by the Reporter at the TAYplan examination (TAYplan examination report page 251 paragraphs 4 & 6 (S4_Doc_595)). The LDP has to be consistent with the Strategic Development Plan.

No modification is proposed to the Plan.

Scottish Environment Protection Agency (03194/19/001): The Plan already makes reference to Scotland's Zero Waste Plan (Core_Doc_042) in paragraph 4.3.20. Furthermore the LDP paragraph 2.2.5 refers to the wish to *'reduce our impact on our local and global environment'* and paragraph 2.2.6 advises that the area should be developed in a way which does not place an unsustainable burden on future generations. It is not therefore considered necessary to make further specific reference to the Zero Waste Plan in the vision statement.

No modification is proposed to the Plan. However if the Reporter is so minded the local authority would be comfortable with this additional wording being inserted as it would not have any implications for any other aspect of the Plan.

Helen & Xander McDade (09502/1/002): The importance of environmental quality is recognised in the vision statement (paragraph 2.2.6), the LDP Key Objectives *'A well cared for rural environment is a social and economic asset vital to the wellbeing of the area's citizens and to future prosperity'* (paragraph 2.3), and in the Sustainable Economic Development diagram at paragraph 2.4.2 under the need to provide places for people to live that are considerate to the environment. It is therefore considered that the Plan already makes a strong link between the importance of environmental quality as an element of sustainable development.

No modification is proposed to the Plan.

Reporter's conclusions:

Vision

1. The plan's vision is a statement that sets the context for the policies and proposals which follow and for the way in which the authority will approach its development planning and development management functions in the future. Paragraph 2.1.1 confirms that the plan's vision is intended to provide a local context to that set out in TAYplan. It can therefore be assumed to follow the TAYplan vision's 2032 end date and there is no benefit in specifying a date within the plan itself. A commitment to ensuring a continuous seven year supply of developable housing land is one of the plan's key objectives and there would be no benefit in adding this detailed objective to the more broadly worded vision statement. The issue of housing land supply is considered in more detail under Issues 20c to 20e.

2. Policy 5B of TAYplan sets out an explicit requirement for the proposed plan to presume against land releases in the Carse of Gowrie. The Proposed Plan is required by law to be consistent with the strategic development plan. Allocating a strategic growth point in this location would be inconsistent with TAYplan and is simply not an option that can be considered at this stage.

3. It would be appropriate for the vision statement to confirm a commitment to Scotland's Zero Waste Plan and the additional wording suggested by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency would be an appropriate addition.

4. There is no need for the vision to contain any further reference to the importance of environmental protection, as the authority's commitment to this is already made clear in a number of places within the vision statement.

Reporter's recommendations:

1. Add the following sentence to section 2.2: *'We want to put a Plan in place that will enable us to live a Zero Waste lifestyle, maximising the value from waste resources'.*