

National Park Authority

Planning & Access Committee



Agenda Item 8

SUBMITTED BY:	Head of Planning & Rural Development
SUBJECT:	Local Development Plan - Updated Development Plan Scheme for 2017/18
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides Members with an overview of the updated Development Plan Scheme for 2017/18.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That **Members:**

- a) **Adopt** the Development Plan Scheme June 2017 (Appendix 1)
- b) **Agree** to delegate responsibility to the Head of Planning and Rural Development for making any final design and minor editorial amendments to the Development Plan Scheme.

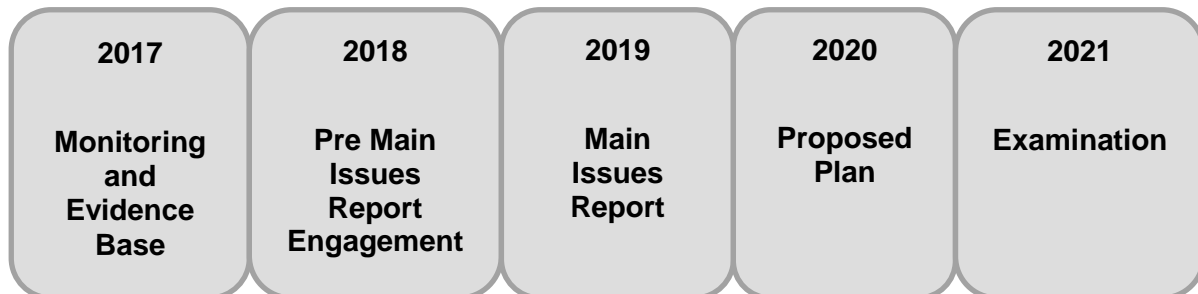
3. Background

- 3.1 Section 20B of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 requires planning authorities to prepare a Development Plan Scheme (DPS) annually to set out the programme for preparing and reviewing their Local Development Plan and what is likely to be involved at each stage.
- 3.2 The DPS also includes a participation statement which sets out with whom, when, where and how we are likely to engage and consult with our communities and stakeholders.
- 3.3 The DPS for 2017/18 has been revised to accompany the recently adopted Local Development Plan (December 2016) and to reflect the LIVE Park style and approach of the Local Development Plan and other related documents. As well as setting out timescales for preparing a new Local Development Plan, it provides additional information about our current focus on implementation and monitoring the effectiveness of the Plan on enabling development delivery.
- 3.4 The various stages involved in preparing a Local Development Plan are identified and described in more detail in the DPS. The expected timeline identified at this early stage for key elements in the next Plan's preparation is as follows:

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- 3.5 These stages will be reviewed and refined annually with more detail being developed in the lead in period to each stage. The Scottish Government review of the Planning System is anticipated to introduce changes to the way in which Local Development Plans are prepared and updated which may affect the expected timeline. Future updates will reflect any consequential changes as required.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The Development Plan Scheme provides our communities and partners with an update on steps taken on delivering the Local Development Plan and outlines future stages in reviewing the Local Development Plan.
- 4.2 Members are requested to approve the Development Plan Scheme for adoption following which it will be published online on the National Park Authority's website, placed in local libraries and shared widely with all key stakeholders (including those who have registered an interest in the local development plan and all Community Councils) via social media and direct email communication. Two copies will also be sent to the Scottish Ministers.

5. List of Appendices

Appendix 1: Development Plan Scheme 2017