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Deposit Plan

Cardiff Replacement
Local Development Plan
2021 - 2036

Summary Version

Cardiff Council is working on a replacement Local Development Plan for 2021 – 2036.

We have now reached the 'Deposit Plan' stage:

WE ARE HERE.

Local
Development
Plan
Preparation
Stages

As at February 2025

- 1 Delivery Agreement – 30th March 2021
- 2 Vision / Issues / Objectives – August 2021
- 3 Strategic Options – Nov. 2021 – Feb. 2022
- 4 Preferred Strategy – July – October 2023
- 5 Deposit Plan Consultation – February 2025**
- 6 Examination – October 2025 to March 2026
- 7 Inspector's Report & Adoption by April 2026

This document is an easy read version that summarises the Deposit Plan, which can be found in full at cardiffldp.co.uk/consultation

Why are Local Development Plans Important?

Local Development Plans are important because they set a framework for how all development should take place in an area over the lifetime of the plan.

They cover all aspects of land use and development and set targets for growth, investment and environmental protection.

The Plan thinks about:

- where people live;
- where people work;
- where people like to spend their time;
- how people get around; and
- how our environment, heritage and culture can be protected.



Local Development Plans are the most important factor when making decisions on planning applications.

Once it is adopted, every planning application will be tested against the policies in the Plan.

What is a ‘Deposit Plan’?

The Deposit Plan a full draft version of the Local Development Plan, which is based on the evidence and information gathered and responses to the Preferred Strategy consultation.

The Deposit Plan contains:



Summaries of issues facing Cardiff and how we think the city will grow over the next 11 years.



A vision and set of 11 objectives and targets for what the plan should deliver.



Different options for growth and selection of the preferred option that will allow for sustainable growth.



A Preferred Strategy and set of 23 Strategic Planning Policies that will help deliver the vision and objectives.



A series of 79 detailed planning policies that will help make Cardiff Stronger, Fairer and Greener.



Information on how the plan will deliver what the city needs and how we will make sure it is delivering.



A detailed ‘Proposals’ map that identifies specific sites for development and protection.



All background documents and assessments that make up the evidence used to prepare the plan.

What has changed since the Preferred Strategy?

The following changes and updates have been made to the plan as a result of consultation responses and new evidence.

New land allocations that include:

- Seven housing-led regeneration areas across the city to assist regeneration and relieve pressure for development on greenfield sites;
- a new Gypsy and Travellers site at Pengam Green;

Detailed policies that:

- have stronger controls over Houses in Multiple Occupation;
- support purpose-built Student & Co-Living Accommodation;
- support the Night-time and Cultural Economy;
- support a greater mix of uses in District and Local Centres;
- promote health, wellbeing and food sustainability;
- require Net Benefits to Biodiversity in all developments, recognising the importance of soils and green infrastructure;
- secure new infrastructure for Electric Vehicles;
- encourage Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Development; and
- support to Play and informal recreation.
- support preparation of “Placemaking Plans” to recognise social value and engage with local communities;

The Plan also places greater emphasis on inclusive, child friendly and gender-sensitive design and gives further considerations to the Welsh language.

Our Vision & Objectives



It is our Vision to create a fair, healthy, more liveable, sustainable, low carbon and bilingual city by:

- Creating a greener, fairer, and stronger city that enhances the health of the current population and wellbeing of future generations;
- Meeting future needs for new low carbon homes, jobs and infrastructure;
- Developing a high accessibility city that reshapes movement around a core of active travel and public transport usage;
- Using placemaking, high quality design, sustainability management and working with local communities to create a thriving city centre and local neighbourhoods;
- Protecting and enhancing our natural, historic and cultural assets;
- Placing Cardiff at the forefront of cities showing leadership and bold action to tackle climate change;
- Building a truly bilingual city where the Welsh Language thrives.

In order to do this, we have set a series of 11 objectives that:

- Respond to our future needs.
- Create a sustainable and healthy city which responds to the challenges of climate change and enhances the wellbeing of future generations.
- Look after our natural, historic and cultural assets.

See Chapter 4 of the Deposit Plan for more information.

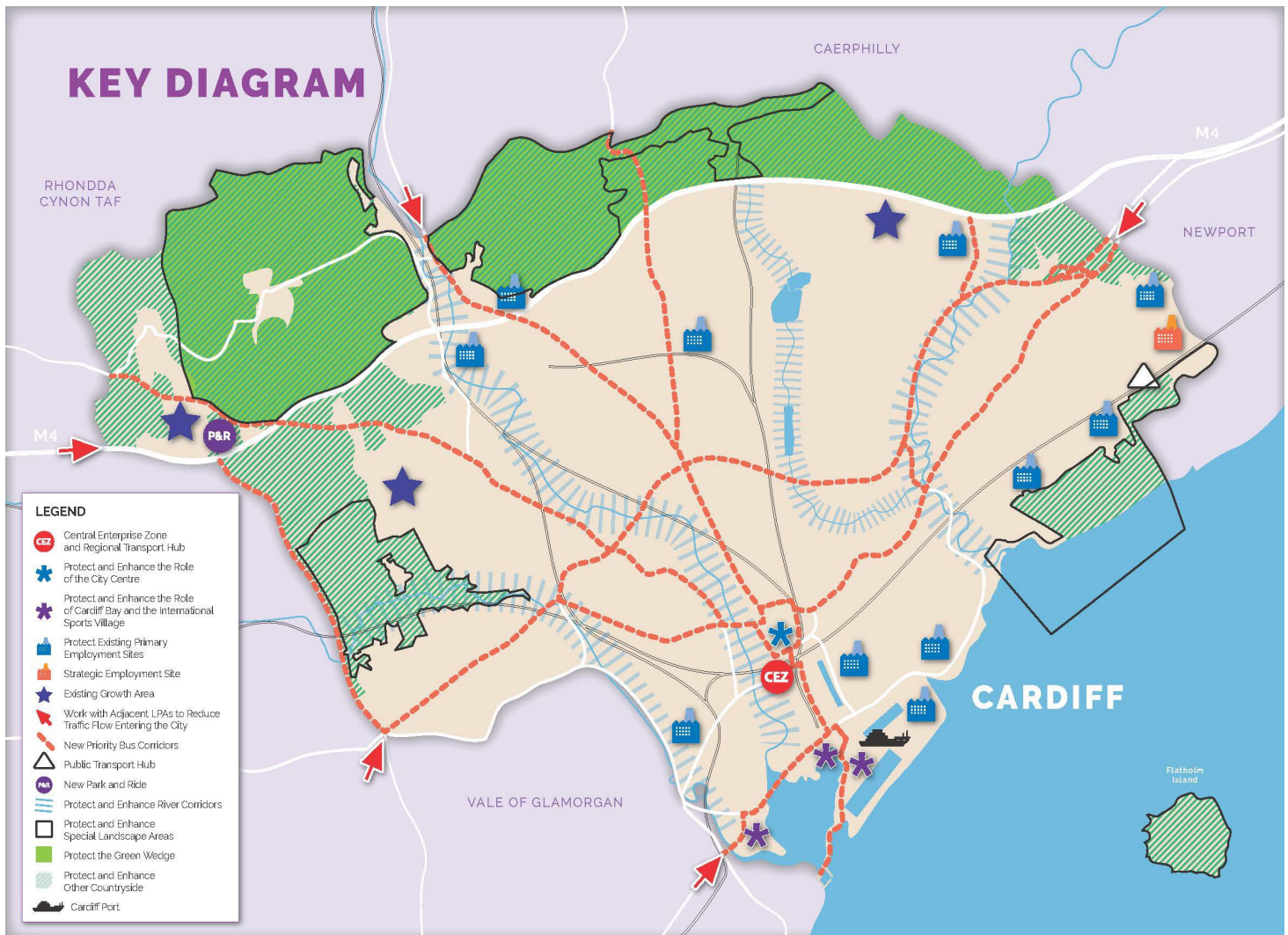
How will Cardiff Grow?



Cardiff has a significant need for new homes including family homes and affordable homes. Cardiff also plays a key role as economic driver of the wider city-region, providing much needed jobs.

The Plan aims to respond to these evidenced social and economic needs in a balanced way, managing impacts, respecting the environment and delivering new infrastructure at the right time.

The Plan sets out a Strategy to deliver **26,400 new houses** and **32,300 new jobs** over the Plan period.



How will growth be delivered?



New homes, jobs and supporting facilities will include:

- Those already built since 2021;
- adjustments to existing housing stock, taking account of anticipated demolitions and changes of use based on past rates;
- Commitments - sites with the benefit of an existing planning consent or resolution to grant consent;
- 'Windfall' provision - sites likely to come forward through natural change in an urban area the size of Cardiff; and
- Taking forward parts of the strategic sites allocated in the LDP which have not received planning permission to ensure the masterplans for the sites are fully delivered.



Overall, for the whole Plan period, this represents approximately 50% of all new homes being provided on brownfield sites and 50% provided on greenfield sites.

The provision of a genuine range and choice of new sites is crucial in effectively delivering the required level of growth, delivering LDP.

What else does the Deposit Plan say?



Managing Growth

Policies and mechanisms have been put in place to manage future growth. Protected areas include the Green Wedge North of the M4 Motorway, tight settlement boundaries county-wide and the protection of river valleys and open spaces. A masterplanning approach provides a framework for strategic sites, setting out land use requirements. Design guidance encourages high quality sustainable development.

Bringing forward new Infrastructure

The Plan requires the timely provision of new infrastructure including community facilities, transportation and other services.

Delivering sustainable transportation solutions

The approach seeks to minimise travel demand, promote active travel and reduce reliance on the car. New development must be integrated with the provision of new transport infrastructure by putting in place sustainable transport solutions and improved travel choices for all. This is consistent with work to develop a more effective public transport network across the region, helping people travel from where they live to work, and helping to share prosperity around the city-region.

Responding to evidenced economic needs

The key economic role performed by Cardiff must be maintained - Cardiff has consistently delivered a high proportion of jobs within the city-region and the strategy ensures a full range and choice of economic opportunities across all relevant sectors. The Cardiff Central Enterprise Zone will be key, whilst maintaining the roles of the City Centre, Cardiff

Bay, District and Local Centres and existing employment sites together with providing a range and choice of sites to cater for demand.

Responding to evidenced social needs

Cardiff has some significant social needs, with particularly high affordable housing demand projected to continue over the Plan period. The Strategy aims to provide a range and choice of sites to respond to the full diversity of needs, including those from the Gypsy and Traveller community as required in national policy. The Plan promotes more sustainable communities, supporting District & Local Centres and encouraging the full range of accessible social, health and educational facilities. The plan supports regeneration initiatives, utilising the potential benefits which new developments can bring to adjoining areas.

Respecting Cardiff's environment and responding to climate change and nature emergencies

Cardiff possesses a unique and particularly distinctive natural and built heritage. The Plan encourages renewable and low carbon energy development and delivers sustainable development by meeting social and economic needs, but in a managed way which preserves, manages and enhances the most important features of our natural and built heritage. Central to this is the designation of a Green Wedge to the North of the M4 Motorway, defining settlement boundaries together with the protection of our river valleys and open spaces.

In this way, Cardiff's distinctive environmental qualities can be successfully maintained with further opportunities to enhance their management and increase public enjoyment. Detailed policies provide clear guidance relating to important elements of Cardiff's biodiversity, landscape and built heritage.

How to comment on the Deposit Plan



You can comment on the Deposit Replacement LDP in one of two ways:

- On-line at cardiffldp.co.uk/consultation and using the on-line response form available in the virtual consultation room, or
- By downloading a response form from cardiffldp.co.uk/consultation and visiting the virtual consultation room and e-mailing it to ldp@cardiff.gov.uk. Alternatively forms can be obtained by telephoning 029 2087 3461 and returning them by post to the address below:

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The consultation period runs from **18th February** to **15th April 2025**.

Comments must therefore be received by midnight on 15th April 2025. The Council cannot guarantee that comments received later will be considered. All comments made by the deadline will be acknowledged and considered.