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INVERNESS CAMPUS

LIFE SCIENCE ENTERPRISE AREA
SGÌRE IOMAIRT SAIDHEANS BEATHA



Highlands and Islands Enterprise
Iomairt na Gàidhealtachd 's nan Eilean

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National Planning Protocol Protocal Dealbhaidh Nàiseanta

Partners recognise and welcome the significant economic benefits that can be generated by the designation of Enterprise Areas in Scotland. This protocol is a non-statutory framework committing all partners to work together to facilitate the planning process in designated Enterprise Areas.

In some instances planning permission will already be in place to enable developments within Enterprise Areas to be considered in a timely manner. In others, applications, whether under the Planning Acts or other legislation (Harbour Revision Orders, Listed Building Consent, Marine Licensing) will require commitment to efficient processing and joint working in order to deliver prompt economic benefit. Decisions will continue to be made in accordance with established planning policy and legislative framework.

All partners will undertake to:

- draft and support a processing (or similar) agreement as a basis for project management of the application processes with an agreed timeline for all stages in the application processes including associated legal and other agreements
- include provision for determining planning applications for local developments within 2 months and major developments within 3 months

Councils will undertake to:

- ensure the alignment of local authority applications process
- Provide prompt pre-application consultation advice free of charge within 2 weeks of request. For major developments this will include advice prior to receipt of a pre-application notice.¹
- Provide a senior officer contact for each enterprise area to own the process, as per each authority's Scheme of Delegated Approval for Planning and a lead officer contact in relation to planning for each application. The senior contact will act as a contact point to support resolution of any post consent issues on implementation
- Co-ordinate a pre-application process to clarify and check information requirements with the developer to ensure efficient validation of applications.
- Agree reasonable and final dates for agency responses and contact with agency lead officials in the event of a deadline not being met
- Review processing agreement dates with developer within three weeks of verification
- Engage in pre-determination dialogue to agree any necessary conditions with developer

Government and statutory agencies will:

- Provide a senior officer contact for each enterprise area to own the process and a lead officer contact for each application
- Agree and adhere to reasonable and final dates for agency responses and contact local authority lead officials in the event of deadline not being met
- Support a co-ordinated approach to pre-application consultation and discussion

Developers/Applicants will:

- Provide supporting data in a timely manner
- Consider reasonable requests in drafting legal agreements or developer contributions

Where additional resource requirements arise these will be individually specified and agreed by the appropriate parties.

¹ Planning permission for a major development is subject of a 12 week statutory pre-application consultation period before an application may be submitted.

Planning Position Suidheachadh Dealbhaidh

Inverness Campus is identified as a key development site in the Highland-wide Local Development Plan (adopted April 2012). The Plan recognises the opportunity for the location of a wide range of campus users including educational, business, recreation and research.

Phase 1 of the site was granted planning permission in principle in March 2011, and work has now commenced on the site infrastructure works. Planning Permission was granted for Inverness College, one of the major site occupiers, on 16th April 2012.

