

Preferred Strategy

Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan 2021 - 2036



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

We have now reached 'Preferred Strategy' stage:

We are here.

Local
Development
Plan
Preparation
stages

As at July 2023

1	Delivery Agreement - 30 th March 2021	
2	Vision / Issues / Objectives - August 2021	
3	Strategic Options - Nov. 2021 to Feb. 2022	
4	Preferred Strategy – July to October 2023	
5	Deposit Plan Consultation – July 2024	
6	Examination – May to October 2025	
7	Inspector's Report & Adoption by November 2025	

This document is an easy read version that summarises the Preferred Strategy, which can be found in full at www.cardiffldp.co.uk

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 will think 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 'Preferred Strategy'?

The Preferred Strategy summarises the main issues facing the city and what we think should be done about them.

The Preferred Strategy sets out the long-term vision for the city. It identifies which areas within the city will be protected, how much development is needed and where this is likely to be. It contains:



Summaries of issues facing the city and what we would like to do about them.



A summary of how we think the city will grow over the next 13 years.



A vision for how we will create a healthy, more liveable, sustainable and low carbon city.



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



A set of 21 'Strategic Planning Policies' that will help deliver the vision and objectives above.

Once we have considered all of the comments on the Preferred Strategy, we will work towards a Deposit Plan. This is a full draft of the Plan which we aim to produce by the summer of 2024.

You can comment on the Preferred Strategy at www.cardiffldp.co.uk Comments must be received by **Thursday 5**th **October 2023**.







What are the issues facing Cardiff?



In producing the Preferred Strategy, we have considered a range of issues and influences facing Cardiff:



Lack of affordable homes



Providing for jobs in the city and the wider region



Respond to the climate and nature emergency



Reduce reliance on the car



Promoting regeneration and sustainable communities



Revitalise the city centre and district and local shopping centres



Meeting the needs of an ageing population



Distributing growth sustainably

These issues have helped to create a Vision which will guide the Replacement LDP.









Our Vision



To create a fair, healthy, more liveable, sustainable and low carbon 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.









How will the city grow?



The first part of the Preferred Strategy looks at how Cardiff will need to grow by 2036. To estimate how the population might change over this time, we looked at how it has changed in the last couple of decades.

We narrowed down 3 different population growth scenarios to a single preferred option.

We then thought about how different factors can influence the city's population, such as providing more affordable housing and supporting the city's economic and regeneration ambitions. Our selected population projection shows that we will need to provide:



26,400 new homes

by 2036, including affordable homes.

These will need to be provided on both large and small sites to cater for different housing needs across the city.

32,300 new jobs to accommodate this growth.

These jobs will be provided on a range of new and existing employment sites across the city









Where could the city grow?

The second part of the Preferred Strategy looks at how the homes and employment sites we need to provide could be distributed across the city.

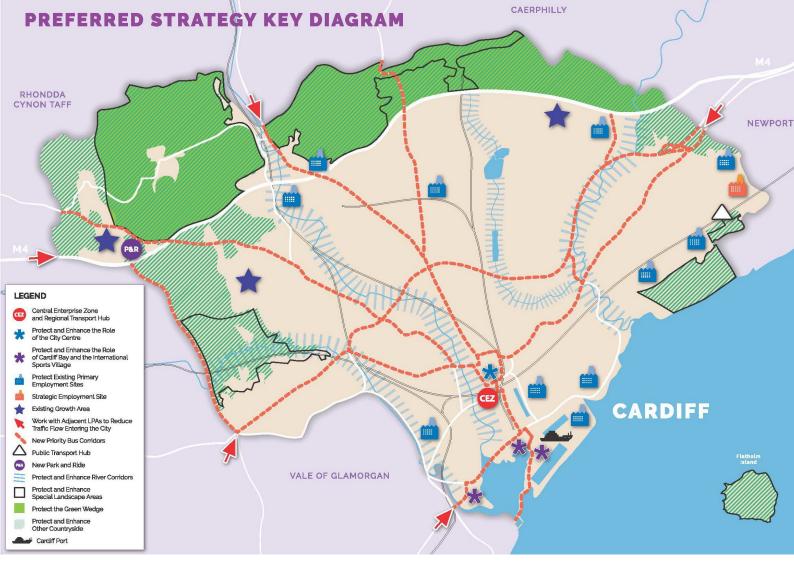
As part of this process, we looked at 8 different options for distribution. We considered:

- The amount of affordable housing and type of housing that can be provided;
- Reducing dependence on the car and enhancing sustainable transport and active travel;
- Which areas already have supporting or planned infrastructure and have retail and community facilities in place;
- Impacts on the natural and built environment and loss of 'greenfield' (previously undeveloped) land;
- Ability to support sustainable neighbourhoods, tackle deprivation and regenerate 'brownfield' (previously developed) land;
- Which areas support a mixed economy by balancing housing and jobs growth;
- Which areas take into account market demand and deliverability.









What is the preferred option?



We realised that the best way to distribute growth was through a mix of brownfield options through a "Sustainable Growth Strategy".

This seeks to meet most of the housing land required by 2036 through a range of brownfield sites within existing settlement boundaries.

Such sites will be major regeneration and renewal areas, located in or near district and local centres, or on transport nodes within the city.

These sites, when combined with the already existing commitments on greenfield sites around the edge of the city will provide for the needed range and choice of housing types and locations across the city.







Strategic Planning Policies



To outline how we will deliver the vision and objectives, we have also set out 21 high level strategic policies.

These cover a range of topics including how the plan will tackle the climate and nature emergencies, deliver sustainable neighbourhoods and protect the setting of the city through a Green Wedge:

SP1	Providing for Sustainable Growth
SP2	Sustaining Economic Growth and Resilience
SP3	Ensuring a Masterplanning Approach
SP4	Securing Good Quality and Sustainable Design
SP5	Securing New Infrastructure
SP6	Securing Planning Obligations
SP7	Supporting the Central and Bay Business Area
SP8	Supporting the role of the Port
SP9	Tourism
SP10	Maintaining a Supply of Minerals
SP11	Delivering Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Social Cohesion and Affordable Housing

SP12	Securing Health and Wellbeing and Resilience
SP13	Protecting and Enhancing Built Heritage and Culture
SP14	Protecting the setting of the city through a Green Wedge
SP15	Managing Spatial Growth through Settlement Boundaries
SP16	Delivering Sustainable Transport and Active Travel
SP17	Securing New Transportation Infrastructure
SP18	Securing Climate Resilience, De- carbonisation and Renewable Energy in New Developments
SP19	Protecting, Compensating and Enhancing Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity
SP20	Minimising Impacts on Natural Resources
SP21	Managing Waste

We have also produced two documents which look at how sustainable the strategy is, as well as any impact it may have on European protected sites within the city.

These are called the Initial Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report.







Have your say on shaping the future of Cardiff



A 10-week consultation will take place from 27th July until 5th October 2023 and will cover:

- The Preferred Strategy
- The Initial Sustainability Appraisal and
- The Habitats Regulations Assessments Report.

This will give the public and other interested parties an opportunity to comment and have their say on the Preferred Strategy.

You can view the documents and find out more information by visiting our Virtual Consultation Room on the website at www.cardiffldp.co.uk



You can also sign up to hear about future consultations by completing our online form at www.cardiffldp.co.uk or by writing to us at:

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