Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Planning Authority

- To: Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Planning Authority Joint Committee
- On: 12th March 2018

Report by

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Clydeplan Planning Performance Framework Feedback 2016/17

1. Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Joint Committee to note the Scottish Government's feedback on Clydeplan's Planning Performance Framework 2016/17 and the Scottish Government's proposed changes to performance monitoring as specified within the Planning Bill.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee note the Scottish Government's feedback on Clydeplan's Planning Performance Framework 2016/17.

3. Context

3.1 As part of the Scottish Government's ongoing commitment to improving planning performance across Scotland, Clydeplan submitted its sixth Planning Performance Framework for the period April 2016 to March 2017 on the 10th July 2017.

4. Feedback Report

- 4.1 The Scottish Government provided feedback on the submission on 3rd January 2018 (refer Appendix).
- 4.2 Clydeplan's performance has been assessed positively on its plan preparation performance; culture of continuous improvement and collaborative approach to sharing good practice, skills and knowledge between authorities, with all categories rated as Green.
- 4.3 Of note is the covering letter from Kevin Stewart MSP the Minister for Local Government and Housing in which he sets out the intention of Government as specified within the Planning Bill, to strengthen and improve performance monitoring; to appoint a national performance co-ordinator to provide advice and recommendations; and to introduce powers to conduct assessments and if necessary, require improvements to be made. The Minister goes on that this structured approach is essential to improving the reputation of the system across the country.
- 4.4 The covering letter including feedback on the planning performance framework, is set out in the Appendix.

Appendix

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Councillor Lawrence O'Neill Convener Clydeplan

3rd January 2018

Dear Cllr O'Neill

PLANNING PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK FEEDBACK 2016/17

Please find attached feedback on your planning performance framework report for the period April 2016 to March 2017.

You will be aware that we recently introduced the Planning Bill to the Scottish Parliament. The Bill aims to support effective performance across a range of planning functions. It includes specific provisions to strengthen and improve performance monitoring; to appoint a national performance co-ordinator to provide advice and recommendations; and powers to conduct assessments and if necessary require improvements to be made. This structured approach is essential to improving the reputation of the system across the country. It aims to provide better support to authorities, whilst recognising that other factors and stakeholders, impact on your performance.

I appreciate that resourcing is a critical issue for you, and the Bill includes provisions for discretionary charging to allow greater local flexibility. Following the Bill, we will consult on revising the fee regime to better reflect the developments which are being brought forward.

We will continue to liaise with COSLA, SOLACE and Heads of Planning Scotland as the Bill progresses through the Parliamentary process. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you all to actively engage - this is a fantastic opportunity to make our system work better to enable planners to deliver the high-quality development our communities need, and it is important that voices from all viewpoints are heard. You can monitor the progress of the Bill on the Parliament website at: www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/106768.aspx

Kind Regards

KEVIN STEWART

CC: Stuart Tait, SDPA Manager

PERFORMANCE MARKERS REPORT 2016-17

Name of planning authority: CLYDEPLAN SDPA

The Red, Amber, Green ratings are based on the evidence provided within the PPF reports. Where no information or insufficient evidence has been provided, a 'red' marking has been allocated.

No.	Performance Marker	RAG rating	Comments
6	Continuous improvement: • progress/improvement in relation to PPF National Headline Indicators; and • progress ambitious and relevant service improvement commitments identified through PPF report	Green	Your National Headline Indicators have all been progressed and are on time and in place. You have put forward strong service improvements, focussed on engagement around the review including the promotion of the replacement plan. You have delivered all of your improvement commitments with some ongoing.
7	Local development plan less than 5 years since adoption	Green	Your SDP remains up-to-date.
8	Development plan scheme – next LDP: on course for adoption within 5 years of current plan(s) adoption; and project planned and expected to be delivered to planned timescale	Green	Your DPS scheme remains up-to-date and on course to deliver the replacement SDP on time. It has been project planned throughout its development and there has been no slippage. A draft timeline for the replacement SDP has also been prepared.
9	Elected members engaged early (pre-MIR) in development plan preparation – <i>if plan has been at</i> <i>pre-MIR stage during reporting year</i>	N/A	
10	Cross sector stakeholders* engaged early (pre-MIR) in development plan preparation – if plan has been at pre-MIR stage during reporting year *including industry, agencies and Scottish Government	N/A	
13	Sharing good practice, skills and knowledge between authorities	Green	Strong evidence of a collaborative approach to sharing of skills and good practice across not only authorities but key agencies and other stakeholders. This is both wide ranging and more focussed.

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Performance against Key Markers

Marker		2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1	Decision making timescales	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Processing agreements	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3	Early collaboration		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	Legal agreements		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5	Enforcement charter		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	Continuous improvement					
7	Local development plan					
8	8 Development plan scheme					
9	9 Elected members engaged early (pre-MIR)				N/A	N/A
10	Stakeholders engaged early (pre-MIR)	N/A			N/A	N/A
11	Regular and proportionate advice to support applications	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12	Corporate working across services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
13	Sharing good practice, skills and knowledge					
14	4 Stalled sites/legacy cases		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
15	Developer contributions		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Overall Markings (total numbers for red, amber and green)

2012-13	0	1	3
2013-14	0	3	3
2014-15	0	3	3
2015-16	0	1	3
2016-17	0	0	4