

To: Planning and Climate Change Policy Board

On: 14 June 2022

Report by: Chief Executive

Heading: Permitted Development Rights

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Scottish Government has recently published a review of Permitted Development Rights.
 - 1.2 This report provides an overview of the topics covered by the review and outlines how officers will prepare and submitted a response in line with the deadline set.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board:
 - Note that The Scottish Government have published a review of permitted development rights and are seeking comments on proposed changes from interested parties.
 - Note that Officers are currently reviewing the consultation paper and will prepare a response in line with the timetable set out by The Scottish Government.
 - Note that the response will be submitted following liaison with the Convenor and Depute Convenor.
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3. Background

- 3.1 The Scottish Government is currently carrying out a review of permitted development rights as part of the wider planning reform programme.
- 3.2 A consultation document has recently been published and interested parties are invited to make comments on the proposed changes to permitted development rights and the use class order.
- 3.3 Comments require to be submitted to Scottish Government by 3rd August 2022.

4. Proposed Changes

- 4.1 Permitted development rights and the use class order have the effect of allowing certain works or changes of use to take place without the need to seek planning permission from the planning authority.
- 4.2 The consultation document sets out and seeks views on proposed changes to permitted development rights and the use class order. Specifically, the proposals relate to the following:
 - Electric vehicle charging infrastructure
 - Changes of use in centres and other locations
 - Port development
- 4.3 The consultation paper can be viewed at <https://www.gov.scot/publications/review-permitted-development-rights-phase-2-consultation/pages/2/>

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 Officers are currently reviewing the consultation paper in order to prepare a response in line with the timetable set out by The Scottish Government.
- 5.2 The next board meeting is scheduled to take place after the deadline of the consultation and in this regard, it is proposed that Officers prepare a response and liaise with the Convenor and Depute Convenor prior to formal submission to The Scottish Government.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – None.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None.

3. **Community/Council Planning** – the consultation document outlines potential changes to permitted development rights and the use classes which would have an impact on how certain developments are considered and consented.
4. **Legal** – None.
5. **Property/Assets** – None.
6. **Information Technology** – None.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** - The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report
8. **Health & Safety** – None.
9. **Procurement** – None.
10. **Risk** – None.
11. **Privacy Impact** – None.
12. **Cosla Policy Position** – None.
13. **Climate Risk** – N/A.

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