

Title of Report:	Local Development Plan: 6-month Indicative Work Programme (Jul-Dec 2025)
Committee Report Submitted To:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Date of Meeting:	27 th August 2025
For Decision or For Information	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)									
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership								
Outcome	Our elected members work collaboratively and make decisions on an evidence led basis and in line with its policies.								
Lead Officer	Principal Planning Officer								

Budgetary Considerations: Not applicable in this case										
Cost of Proposal										
Included in Current Year Estimates										
Capital/Revenue										
Code										
Staffing Costs										

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. Not applicable in this case.												
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:										
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:										
Rural Needs Assessment	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:										
(RNA)	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:										
Data Protection Impact	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:										
Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:										

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To present, in line with Section 5 of the Council's current published Local Development Plan (LDP) Timetable, a 6-month indicative Work Programme (Jul-Dec 2025).

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Council's Development Plan team duties cover a wide range of work, that includes, but is not limited to, the following areas:
 - Local Development Plan;
 - Conservation Areas;
 - Tree Preservation Orders and Works to Protected Trees;
 - Building Preservation Notices; and
 - Planning Advisory Roles
- 2.2 The 6-month Work Programme (attached at Appendix 1) sets out the related high-level work to be carried out by the team between July and December 2025.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that the Planning Committee note the content of this report.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: LDP 6-month Work Programme (Jul-Dec 2025).

								Committee 27th			Planning Committee 24th			Planning Committee 22nd					Planning Committee 26th					
Week Commencing	07/07/25	14/07/25	21/07/25	28/07/	/25 04/08/	25 11/08/25	18/08/25	25/08/25	01/09/25 08/09/	/25 15/09/25	22/09/25	29/09/25 06/10/	24 13/10/25	20/10/25	27/10/25	03/11/25	10/11/25	17/11/25	24/11/25	01/12/2	5 08/12/25	15/12/25	22/12/25	29/12/25
Draft Plan Strategy Preparation					•	Draft Pla	n Strategy p	presented fo	r ratification at	1st Novem	ber 2022 Full	Council Meeting	g - deferred	l for further	discussion v	ith mem	bers - this	s remains	ongoing					
LDP Timetable			Revision I	Publishe	ed 8th Jan	uary 2025. T	o be review	ved as and w	hen required th	nroughout p	programme													
LDP SA/SEA & HRA									lter	ative proce	ss - to continu	e throughout L	OP preparat	tion, as requ	uired									
LDP Steering Group Meetings								Quarterly	Updates and 6-	month Indic	cative Work Pr	ogrammes prov	ided to the	Steering G	roup (Planni	ng Comm	ittee)							
Evidence Updates		Document library to accompany the Draft Plan Strategy publication will be updated throughout this reporting period, as and when required																						
Independent Housing Research Study (Ulster University)		Study has commenced and will be completed within this work programme																						
Retail & Commercial Leisure Capacity Study (Nexus)		Study has commenced and will be completed within this work programme																						
Initial research study - Short term stays		Informing the LDP Preparation																						
CC&GBC Landscape Character Study		Completed - informing the LDP Preparation																						
LDP Project Management Team (consultes/stakeholder input)		T T					T				As required t	nroughout this	programme	e				T		I				
Member Workshops/Working Group Meetings - LDP Draft Policies								LDP \	Workshop sched	duled for 28	8th August to	liscuss UU Hous	ing Study: I	Interim Find	lings									
Cross Border Working Group											As require	throughout pr	ogramme											
Cross Boundary Working Group											As require	throughout pr	ogramme											
Sperrin AONB Working Group											As require	throughout pr	ogramme											
NI Minerals Working Group											As required	throughout pr	ogramme											
NI Development Plan Working Group										Мє	eetings on 7th	August & 6th N	ovember 2	.025										
Community Plan Strategic Partnership Board									Mee	ting held 30	oth July. Next	neeting schedu	ed for 12th	n November	2025									
Housing Land Monitor								Ongoin	g throughout pi	ogramme.	An interactive	map will be co	npleted and	d published	within this p	rogramm	ne.							
Retail Monitor											Ongoing	hroughout pro	gramme											
Employment Land Monitor											Ongoing	hroughout pro	gramme											
Development Mgmt: assistance (Plg apps/correspondence/complaints, etc), map preparation & LDP/Tree/CAO consultation responses											To continu	throughout Pr	ogramme											
Duty Planner roles											To continu	throughout Pr	ogramme											
Planning advice to other council departments											To continu	throughout Pr	ogramme											

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Responding to Council consultations (from adjoining councils/government departments, etc)		To continue throughout Programme																								
Providing Council input into Dfl Sustainable Water: A long term water strategy for Northern Ireland		In response to DFI bi-annual update requests																								
Climate Change: Public Body Reporting		Providing planning department input via Council's Climate Action Team (CAT) and Climate Emergency Forum (CES) as and when required																								
Council representative (planning advisor) eg AONB, WHS, GIS, Tech Support groups, etc		To continue throughout Programme																								
Building Preservation Notices, TPOs & Works to Trees												To contin	nue througl	nout Progr	ramme											
Tree Protection											•	Work to co	ontinue thr	oughout p	rogramm	ne.										
Attendance at other council LDP Independent Examinations (IEs)												To ot	her Counci	ls/PAC tim	netable											
Mandatory Staff Training and Continuing Personal Development(CPD)												To contin	nue througl	nout Progr	ramme											

^{*} Please note that dates may be subject to change. Ad hoc meetings may also be required throughout the programme.