

# Belfast LDP 2035: Habitat Regulations Assessment

## Overview

We're developing the new Local Development Plan (LDP) which is the land use plan for Belfast up to 2035. The Plan will guide investment and set out policies and proposals for the use, development and protection of land across the city. Once adopted the plan will be used to determine planning applications. Your opinions matter to us and we want to hear from you during the various stages throughout the preparation of the plan. The consultation closes on 15th November 2018.

## What is the Plan Strategy?

The Plan Strategy will be a strategic policy framework for the plan area as a whole across a range of topics. It will set out an ambitious but realistic vision for Belfast as well as the objectives and strategic policies required to deliver that vision. Establishing this strategic direction early in the plan process will provide a level of certainty on which to base key development decisions in the area as well as the necessary framework for the preparation of the Local Policies Plan. You can find out more about the Plan Strategy, and access all relevant documents, on the Council's website at [www.belfastcity.gov.uk/LDP](http://www.belfastcity.gov.uk/LDP).

## Habitat Regulations Assessment

The purpose of Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) is to ascertain if any aspects of the draft plan strategy would have the potential to cause a likely significant effect on a European designated site, also known as Natura 2000 sites (Special Areas of Conservation (SACs), Special Protection Areas (SPAs) and Ramsar sites), either in isolation or in combination with other plans and projects, and to identify appropriate avoidance and/or mitigation measures where such effects are identified.

There is a legal requirement for all Local Plans to be subject to HRA, as set out in Article 6 of the EC Habitats Directive 1992, and enshrined in British law through the Conservation of Habitats & Species Regulations 2010.

## **Accessibility**

The relevant documents are available, on request, in alternative formats - Braille, audio, large print, easy read. The council will also consider requests to produce it in other languages. If you require the documents in these or other formats please contact us:

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## A. Data Protection

Belfast City Council is the Data Controller under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) for the personal data it gathers for the purposes of sending regular email updates on the Local Development Plan from Belfast Planning Service.

The council accepts that you are providing your personal data on the basis of consent and are positively agreeing for the council to hold and further use it, and publish it for public scrutiny.

Any personal details that you provide the Council will be handled in accordance with the GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018. As such we will only use your data for the purposes that you have given this information for and will only be shared where necessary to provide the service that you are contacting us about. If you would like further information in regards please see the website [belfastcity.gov.uk/about/privacy](http://belfastcity.gov.uk/about/privacy)

The personal data is held and stored by the council in a safe and secure manner and in compliance with Data Protection legislation and in line with the council's Records Retention and Disposal Schedule.

If you wish to contact the council's Data Protection Officer, please write to:

Belfast City Council,  
City Hall Belfast,  
BT1 5GS

or send an email to [records@belfastcity.gov.uk](mailto:records@belfastcity.gov.uk)

- 1 Please tick to confirm that you have read and understood the privacy notice above.  
(Required)

*Please select all that apply*

- I confirm that I have read and understood the privacy notice above and give my consent for Belfast City Council to hold my personal data for the purposes outlined.

**2 Do you consent for us to publish your response?**

To facilitate more open and transparent government, Belfast City Council would like your permission to publish your consultation response in the public domain. Should you prefer us to treat your submission as confidential - either by publishing it as an anonymous response or by not publishing it at all - please indicate accordingly.

(Required)

- Yes, please publish my response with my name
- Yes, please publish my response, but only include my organisation's name (for those responding on behalf of an organisation)
- Yes, please publish my response, but do so anonymously
- No, please do not publish my response (treat as confidential)

## B. Your details

3 Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of a group or organisation?

(Required)

*Please select only one item*

- Individual *(Fill in the remaining questions in this Section, then proceed to Section C)*
- Organisation *(Fill in the remaining questions in this Section, then proceed to Section D)*
- I'm an Agent *(Fill in the remaining questions in this Section, then proceed to Section E)*

4 What is your name?

Title

Full name (Required)

5 What is your telephone number?

Telephone number

6 What is your email address?

Email

## C. Individual

If you have selected that you are responding as an individual, please complete this Section, then proceed to Section F.

### 7 What is your address?

Address Line 1 (Required)

Address Line 2

Address Line 3 (Required)

City

Postcode (Required)

## D. Organisation

If you have selected that you are responding as an organisational respondent, there are a number of pieces of information that we are legally required to gather from you.

- 8 If you are responding as a representative of a group or organisation, please complete this Section, then proceed to Section F.

Organisation (Required)

Your Job Title (Required)

**Organisation address (if different from above):**

Address Line 1 (Required)

Line 2

Line 3

City

Postcode (Required)

## E. Agents

If you have selected that you are responding as an agent on behalf of other people/organisations, there are a number of pieces of information that we are legally required to gather from you.

9 Please provide details of the organisation or individual you are representing.

The name of the organisation or individual you are representing: (Required)

### Client contact details:

Title

First Name (Required)

Last Name (Required)

Address Line 1 (Required)

Line 2

Line 3

City

Postcode (Required)

Telephone number (Required)

Email (Required)

10 Would you like us to contact you, your client or both in relation to this response or future consultations on the LDP?

(Required)

*Please select only one item*

Agent

Client

Both

## **F. Habitat Regulations Assessment**

11 Please provide your comments on the Habitat Regulations Assessment.

