

1.1 Please let us know the capacity in which you are completing this questionnaire. Are you...	
a) A member of the public	✓
b) A community representative e.g Community Council	
c) A developer/their agent	
d) A landowner/ their agent	
e) From a Key Agency	
f) Other – please specify	
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Organisation	
Organisation/group/landowner:	
2.1 What do you think are the most important things that make Aberdeen a good place to live, visit and/or work?	Close to wonderful countryside, Dee and Don valleys, beach, lovely parks, granite buildings.
2.2 What do you think should be the Council's top priorities for the next Aberdeen Local Development Plan?	Sort out infrastructure, haudagain roundabout, third Don crossing, AWPR, etc. For many years there has been a lack of vision, and political stalemate, resulting in an inadequate road system for a City of such importance.
2.3 Do you have any particular aspirations for your community or Aberdeen as a whole that you think should be taken forward through the ALDP? For example, what are your views on recycling of waste, affordable housing, access to green space or ways to reduce CO2 emissions?	Recycling should be a priority, as landfill is not a long term option. There is a definite shortage of affordable housing, due in part to the oil industry. Green space should be given more protection, and improved, as it is a valuable asset. There is little point in talking about reducing CO2 emissions, as most of the world is

	<p>burning coal, etc., and any reductions we make would be insignificant. The general public would be more likely to be persuaded that fossil fuels will not last forever, than the argument that more CO2 will possibly warm the planet, which in Aberdeen would be no bad thing!</p>
<p>2.4 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for the City Centre? (For example, what should the role of Union Street be? Does the City Centre have all the uses we want, or should there be more uses there- and if so where could they go?)</p>	<p>Union street should not be pedestrianised, as it is Aberdeens main artery, not some 15th century lane. Parking charges are too high, as internet shopping is now an option. Bus fares are too high, and a bus journey from Bridge of Don to the City centre, for example, takes far too long. Perhaps conductors should be re-introduced, as much of a bus journey consists of waiting at stops for passengers to find the correct fare!</p>
<p>2.5 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for providing infrastructure? (For example, how should new infrastructure be provided and how might it be paid for?)</p>	<p>We are supposedly the oil capitol of Europe, and it is time that we acted accordingly! This is a prosperous area, surely money can be raised if there is political concensus.</p>
<p>2.6 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for transport and accessibility? (For example, how can we make it easier to travel in and around Aberdeen? Should we look at pedestrianisation in the City Centre?)</p>	<p>Do not pedestrianise Union Street! Rivers require bridges. We have the Dee and Don, not the Rhine and Danube!</p>
<p>2.7 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for ensuring we have high quality buildings and places? (For example, how can we better protect our built heritage and ensure high quality and sympathetic architecture and landscape design?)</p>	
<p>2.8 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for meeting the needs of business and industry? (For example, what can be done to retain existing businesses and attract new employment opportunities to</p>	<p>Improve the road system!</p>

Aberdeen?)	
2.9 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for meeting Aberdeen's housing and community needs? (For example, how can we meet the needs of people who cannot afford mainstream housing?)	
2.10 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for supporting retail centres across Aberdeen? (For example, should we be safeguarding existing centres, and what are your thoughts on new out-of-town retail parks?)	Reduce parking charges. The recent extension of charges to 8PM, and overnight charges are ridiculous, and discourage City visits.
2.11 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for protecting and enhancing the natural environment, and preventing flooding? (For example, what areas or features should we be safeguarding?)	Stop illegal traveller encampments, and provide sensible halting sites, not for example, totally unsuitable ones such as Perwinnes Moss!
2.12 What do you think should be our main planning priorities for ensuring that resources and waste are managed sustainably? (For example, can we make more innovative use of waste as a resource? Should we encourage renewable energy use? How could we do these things?)	Wind energy has a part to play as an energy source, but should not be considered in areas of outstanding beauty or too close to residential areas or world class golf courses!
2.13 If you have any views on topics not covered above, please write them below.	