

## ROYAL BURGH OF WIGTOWN & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### CONSULTATIONS WORKING PARTY – August 2016

#### **CURRENT CONSULTATIONS**

**a) A Consultation on proposals to establish the interim body to manage The Crown Estate assets in Scotland post-devolution** – Scottish Government. Closing date: 26 August 2016

The Scottish Government is supportive of the Smith Commission's recommendations to devolve powers in relation to the management and revenues of Crown Estate assets in Scotland, which are in line with policy objectives to ensure that communities enjoy greater benefits from The Crown Estate. Scottish Ministers propose to set up a new interim public body using powers provided in the Scotland Act 2016 to lay a statutory instrument at the Scottish Parliament which would be completed through an Order in Council.

The establishment of interim arrangements will enable the transfer to take place and for the Scottish Parliament to be given legislative competence to legislate on the management of The Crown Estate. This consultation seeks views on the interim management arrangements and on how the interim body should be managed, in particular on the proposed status and functions of the interim body.

The current consultation document is available for download at <https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/crown-estate-strategy-unit/manage-the-crown-estate-assets>.

This consultation is only about establishing the interim arrangements, there will be further public consultation on options for the long-term framework and further devolution in due course. At that stage we will have the opportunity to have some input into how communities will be able to access the funding from The Crown Estate.

**b) Local Development Plan 2** – Dumfries & Galloway Council

DGC adopted the current LDP on 29 September 2014 and it's reviewed every five years to keep it up to date. LDP2 should be in place by September 2019. DGC is now preparing the next Local Development Plan (LDP2) and the consultation process will follow five main stages:

1. Community, land owner, business and partner engagement
2. Main Issues Report
3. Proposed Plan
4. Examination
5. Adoption

#### **Community workshops**

LDP2 aims to get the right type of development (which meets the needs of the community) in the right places. DGC is holding a number of workshops to hear community views on whether the current LDP is working. The workshops will be run by PAS (formerly Planning Aid Scotland) who are a national charity providing impartial, independent planning advice. Council staff will also be there to help answer questions.

There will be a workshop in Wigtown County Buildings on Wednesday, 31 August starting at 6pm (doors open at 5.30pm with refreshments available) and should finish by 8pm.

To book a place email [LDP@dumgal.gov.uk](mailto:LDP@dumgal.gov.uk) with your name and where you live or call 01387 260109 to find out more about the workshops.

#### **FORTHCOMING CONSULTATIONS**

No Forthcoming Consultation