

Conservation area character appraisals - Review programme noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a programme of phased review of the existing conservation area character appraisals, advising

- (1) that conservation areas were designated under the Planning Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas (Scotland) Act 1997 and planning authorities were required to formulate and publish from time to time proposals for preservation and enhancement of its conservation areas;
- (2) that conservation area appraisals were management tools which identified the special historical and architectural interest of an area and they informed policy and assisted development management design making and these appraisals formed part of the supplementary guidance to the City Development Plan which was adopted in 2017;
- (3) of the recently adopted National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) which contained specific policy with respect to historic assets and places and the purpose of the NPF4 policy was to protect and enhance historic environment assets and places to enable positive change as a catalyst for the regeneration of places;
- (4) that there were currently 25 conservation areas in Glasgow together with a suite of character appraisals dating from 2005-21 following the format set out in the Historic Environment Scotland guidance from 2004 and accordingly many of these documents required to be reviewed and updated in order to ensure that they accurately reflected and understood the character of the area, identified key challenges and opportunities, assessed potential boundary amendments and continued to be useful tools in the development management process;
- (5) of a proposed review programme for conservation areas across the city and the methodology being used for the review;
- (6) that it was estimated that the review process for each conservation area may take approximately 6 months allowing for research, drafting, reviewing, public engagement processes and committee approval and it was proposed that the review programme be carried out in 3 phases, as detailed in the report; and
- (7) that under the Planning Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas (Scotland) Act 1997, local authorities had a statutory duty to identify and designate conservation areas and in order to continually review and respond to requests for potential new designation, it was proposed that a further phase of initial scoping area would be developed, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted the proposed review programme for the conservation area character appraisals.