

Tall Buildings Design Guidance approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration Committee of 3rd June 2025 (Print 2, page 129) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Tall Buildings Design Guidance, Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use presented a report on the said guidance, advising

- (1) that the Council Plan 2022-27 had identified the production of a Tall Buildings Guidance for the city centre (Strategic Plan Grand Challenge 3 Mission 2 Commitment 23) and this guidance would elaborate on the design guidance contained in the City Development Plan Policy CDP1 and Supplementary Guidance SG1;
- (2) that the Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) Planning Service had commissioned the NRS Property and Consultancy Services to carry out work for the Tall Building Design Guidance, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that the draft Tall Building Design Guidance had been subject to internal consultation which included 2 specially convened gatherings hosted by the Glasgow Urban Design Panel and a digital round table workshop had also taken place to facilitate a discussion among UK and international professional and academic experts with previous expertise in producing Tall Building Design Guidance for similar scale cities to Glasgow;
- (4) that the public consultation on the draft Tall Building Design Guidance had been published on the Council's consultation hub from June to September 2024 and was structured around 3 sections, namely locational guidance, design parameters and technical guidance and 271 responses were received together with a co-ordinated response from a group of representatives of the development industry nominated by the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce;
- (5) that in total, the public consultation on the draft Tall Building Design Guidance had received around 700 open comments on its locational guidance and design parameters sections and 99 comments on the Technical Guidance section and overall it had been well received, with 73% of respondents agreeing in full to the proposed Tall Building Design Guidance;
- (6) that the responses received from the consultation had been collated, analysed and categorised and a series of the most constructive inputs had been used to inform the final version of the Tall Building Design Guidance, as detailed in the report; and
- (7) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee approved the adoption of the Tall Building Design Guidance as a material consideration in the development and assessment of planning applications for tall buildings in Glasgow.