Scotland’s Territorial Agenda: National Planning Framework 3

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Spatial planning in Scotland

• Diverse geography
  – Distinctive city regions
  – Rural diversity: commuter countryside, intermediate and remote rural areas, extensive upland / wild land
  – lengthy coastline and islands

• High quality environment

• Significant natural energy resources

• Ambitious climate change targets

• North of UK / edge of Europe – connections vital
NPF3

- Long term spatial strategy
- Applies policy to place
- Builds on NPF2 (2009), with new emphasis on:
  - Economic recovery
  - Low carbon economy
  - Placemaking
- New approaches to engagement
- Refreshed vision
2. A Low Carbon Place

Our ambition is to achieve at least an 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

- Energy Efficiency
- Renewable heat
- Onshore wind
- Offshore renewables
- Electricity Grid
- Oil and Gas
- National Renewables Infrastructure Plan
• Environmental protection and enhancement
• Ecosystem services
• Sustainable resource management
• Access to the outdoors
• Sustainable tourism

3. A Natural Place To Invest
Our ambition is to respect, enhance and make responsible use of our natural and cultural assets
4. A Successful, Sustainable Place

Our ambition is to create high quality, diverse and desirable places to promote wellbeing and attract investment.

- Geography of key economic sectors
- Placemaking
- Regeneration
- Green networks
- Health
- Homes
• Low carbon transport
• Digital links
• Intercity connections
• Rural links
• International connections
  – Ports
  – Airports
  – High speed rail

5. A Connected Place
Our ambition is to maintain and develop good internal and global connections
• Orkney, Pentland Firth and North Caithness
• Inverness and the Inner Moray Firth
• Aberdeen and the North East
• Firth of Forth
• Firth of Clyde
• South West Coast
1. Onshore infrastructure for offshore renewable energy
2. Grid Infrastructure Enhancements
3. Baseload capacity at existing sites: Longannet and Cockenzie
4. Grangemouth and Peterhead Carbon Capture and Storage
5. National Cycling and Walking Network
6. Metropolitan Glasgow Strategic Drainage Plan
7. Central Scotland Green Network
8. Dundee Waterfront
9. Ravenscraigs
10. Aberdeen Harbour
11. Grangemouth Investment Zone
12. Freight Capacity on the Forth
13. High Speed Rail
14. Airport Enhancements
An inclusive process

The Scottish Government
Consultation responses

• 555 responses
• Around 400 substantive responses:
  – 33% from public
  – 24% businesses
  – 21% third sector
• Emerging / updated spatial strategy welcomed
  – Many views on detail
Views on Main Issues Report

• Realism vs ambition
• Debate on energy and environment
  – onshore wind
  – more radical action to lower carbon?
• Calls to reflect local agendas
• Spatial planning should guide infrastructure investment
• Stronger focus on cities
• …as well as towns,
• …and more for rural / fragile areas
Next steps
Next steps - key challenges

• Moving from clear national themes  
  ...to an integrated spatial strategy
• Being ambitious / long term  
  ...but focusing on delivery and outcomes
• Achieving balanced growth
• ....whilst prioritising investment
• Reflecting local diversity  
  ...whilst strengthening our wider perspective
Next steps

• Proposed NPF3 in Parliament by early 2014
• Parliamentary consideration (60 days)
• Response to Parliament
• Finalise NPF3 and SPP by June 2014.