# Planning (Bill) Scotland update

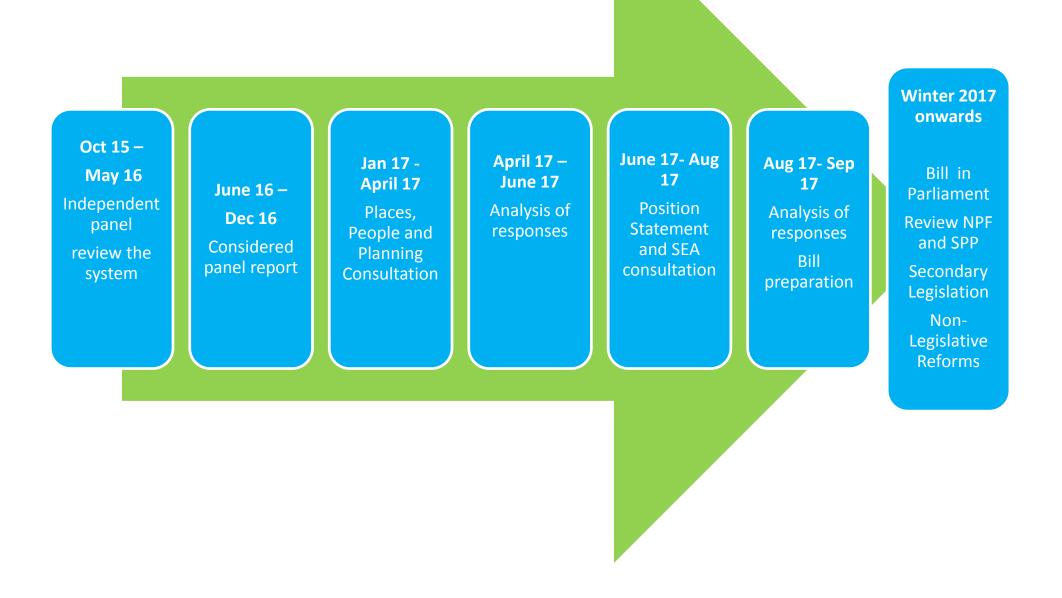




- The Planning Bill was introduced to the Scottish Parliament on 4 December 2017, and is now available on the Scottish Parliament's website: <u>Planning</u> <u>(Scotland) Bill</u>. Also contains Policy Memorandum
- The Minister for Local Government and Housing is making a statement to the Parliament today on Planning and Inclusive Growth, setting out how the Bill will underpin improvements to the planning system to ensure it delivers on the investment in good quality development that our communities deserve and our economy needs.
- A <u>news release</u> has been issued giving more details, and the full statement will be available from the Scottish Parliament's <u>Official Report</u> tomorrow. The Minister will also release a <u>short video</u> on Twitter.
- We expect that the Local Government and Communities Committee will issue a call for evidence shortly, to inform its scrutiny, and we would encourage you to give the Committee your views.

## Background

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- Research and Exemplars
- Development plan Schemes
- Strategic Planning
- Local Development Plans
- Effective Housing Land
- Future Guidance on Development Planning
- Build to Rent Advice and Delivery
- NPF & SPP Review

- Research
- The Place Standard
- Charrette Programme and Activating Ideas
  Fund
- Improvements to Pre-Application
  Consultation
- Local Place Plans
- Training
- Improve involvement of Young People

• Appeals and Recalled Cases

Shared Services

• Digital Planning

• Planning Performance

Local Review Bodies

• High Level Group on Planning Performance

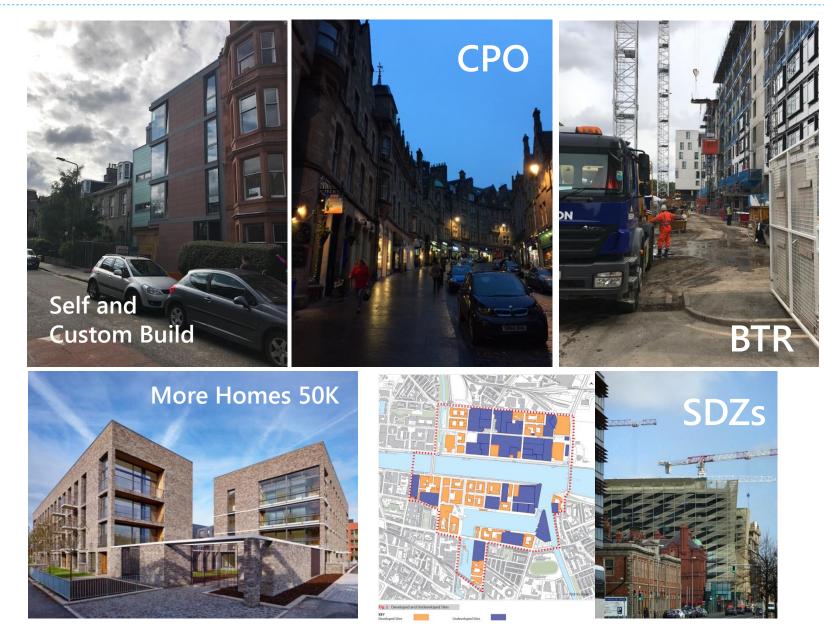
- A compelling vision for the future of a place
- Focus on places rather than polices
- Removal of Main Issues Report
- Longer timescale link to implementation
- A strong and shared commitment to delivery
- Informed by clear evidence and collaboration
- Examinations are frontloaded by gate-check
- Enhance NPF and incorporate SPP
- Requirement to produce Strategic Development Plans removed.

- Everyone is interested ...and can be involved
- The development plan is a focus for early engagement
- People work together to facilitate positive change
- We all recognise the public good
- People believe their voices have been heard
- Local Place Plans
- Communities involved and inspired!

- Planning co-ordinates and enables delivery
- Figures are agreed upfront
- An open discussion on where housing should be built
- New delivery models are supported and flourish
- Simplified Development Zones (SDZs)
- Quality of place is at the heart of decision making
- People have great places to live
- Inclusive growth

## **Delivery – key workstreams**





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- Place leadership
- Collaboration across professions with communities and other stakeholders
- Digital transformation of the system
- Deepening and sharing of skills and expertise
- Communities have tools (such as the Place Standard) resources and skills to become meaningfully involved

## In summary

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Scotland's planning system can:

- set out a clear and compelling vision
- drive forward inclusive growth and investment
- co-ordinate delivery of good quality development
- empower people to plan the future of their places
- be smart about skills and resources
- can have a strong voice in decision making
- have confident, empowered professionals
- be a hub for multidisciplinary working on place
- be respected internationally and at home



### .... plan and deliver great places!



- Blue and green infrastructure