

WESTON AERODROME

Land Use Planning Framework Review



20 June 2017

Background and Introduction:

South Dublin County Council intends to facilitate a public consultation and review of the land use planning framework governing the future development and operation of Weston Aerodrome with reference to changing European safety requirements, economic development opportunities for the County and the impact on neighbouring residential communities. This shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of Policy IE9 Objective 6 of the Development Plan 2016 – 2022.

Review Process:

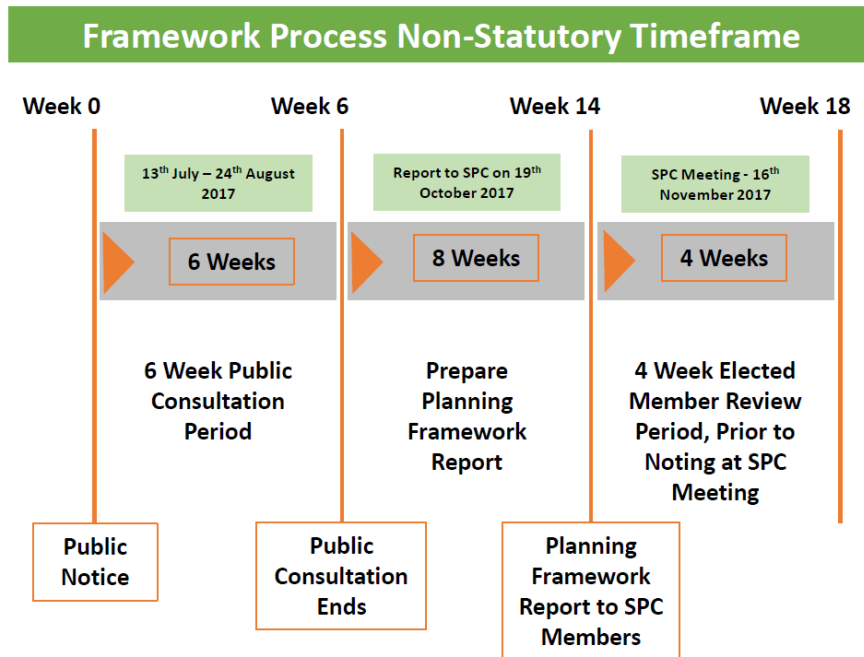
In order to initiate a review of the land use planning framework governing the future development and operation of Weston Aerodrome, South Dublin County Council shall engage in meaningful consultation with the public, relevant statutory consultees and as many as possible stakeholder bodies on critical issues to be addressed. This will include relevant statutory bodies responsible for the control and safety of operations at Weston Aerodrome.

The consultation period will take place over a six week period and will involve the following steps;

- Notification of the review public consultation in newspapers circulating in the area.
- Circulate a notice inviting submissions in adjoining estates, roads and townlands in the vicinity of Weston and surrounds.
- Information shall be made available on the Council's website www.sdcc.ie and public displays made available at County Hall in Tallaght, Civic Offices in Clondalkin and public libraries in the vicinity of Weston and surrounds.
- Information shall be made available and submissions invited on the Council's Online Consultation Portal at <https://consult.sdublincoco.ie>.
- Relevant statutory consultees shall be notified of the review and invited to make submissions / observations.

All submissions / observations shall be read, analysed and summarised in a Planning Framework report, which will be issued for noting at the November 2017 Land Use, Planning and Transportation SPC meeting. The issues raised in the submissions received will play a significant role in guiding the review of the land use planning framework governing the future development and operation of Weston Aerodrome. Figure 1 below summarises the key stages and timelines in preparing the Land Use Planning Framework Review.

Figure 1: Key Stages & Timelines of the Land Use Planning Framework Review



The aforementioned process will inform an analysis of opportunities for potential future development and consolidation of the aerodrome. As part of this process, the development potential of Weston Aerodrome and its contribution to the economic development of the County and Region will be explored. Such an analysis will also include an assessment of the impact of any potential future development of Weston Aerodrome on neighbouring residential communities and make recommendations accordingly. Allied to this, it will also identify critical boundaries and transition areas of the Aerodrome.

Next Steps

The next steps in the process will encompass a review and background data gathering exercise relating to Weston Aerodrome. This will include;

- Identification of existing site characteristics, land uses and structures at Weston Aerodrome.
- Identification of land use zoning objective(s) and land use class allowances, in accordance with the zoning objective matrix in the Development Plan 2016 – 2022 (refer to pages 292-294).
- Identification of relevant policies, objectives and actions relevant to Weston Aerodrome, in the Development Plan 2016 – 2022.
- A review of all relevant Health & Safety standards governing Aerodrome operations.

In tandem with this, the public consultation process which will inform and shape the Weston Aerodrome Land Use Planning Framework review will be initiated. On foot of the submission period, a comprehensive review of all submissions will be undertaken, following which, a Planning Framework report will be prepared. Upon completion of the preparation of same, this will then be issued to elected representatives of the SPC for consideration, with the report expected to be put forward for noting at the November 2017 Land Use, Planning and Transportation SPC meeting.