

The Belfast Agenda

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be heard!



A Shared Agenda for Inclusive Growth

Belfast's 1st Community Plan

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What is community planning?

*“Council led community planning provides a **statutory framework** for councils to work **in conjunction with other public sector service providers** to deliver on our objective of **improving outcomes for everyone.**”*

Mark Durkan

Minister of the Department of the Environment

23 September 2013

October 2015

Key features of the process

- Council leads process with its partners
- Develop four year plan:
 - identify long term objectives and actions for improving social, economic and environmental wellbeing.
 - contribute to good relations, equality and sustainable development in NI
- Emphasis on taking into account views of community, and evidence base
- Collaborative gain

October 2015

Community planning partners

Statutory community planning partners (x14)

- Belfast City Council
- Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
- South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust,
- Public Health Agency
- Health and Social Care Board
- PSNI
- NI Housing Executive
- NI Fire & Rescue Service
- Invest NI
- Tourism NI
- Education Authority
- CCMS
- Libraries NI
- Sport NI

Others:

- Departments
- Community: CVS;
business, residents



Context & linkages

The next Programme for Government

Influencing the NI Government priorities

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Our vision and outcomes for 2035

Our priorities and commitments
for the next four years

Influencing local plans, strategies, our corporate plan
and the plans of other organisations

City partners plans

Influencing the aims, objectives and commitments of
the city's partners including our corporate plan

Local Development plan

Shaping the aims of the future
spatial plan for the city

**Building on what people
have told us....**

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**The Belfast
Conversation**

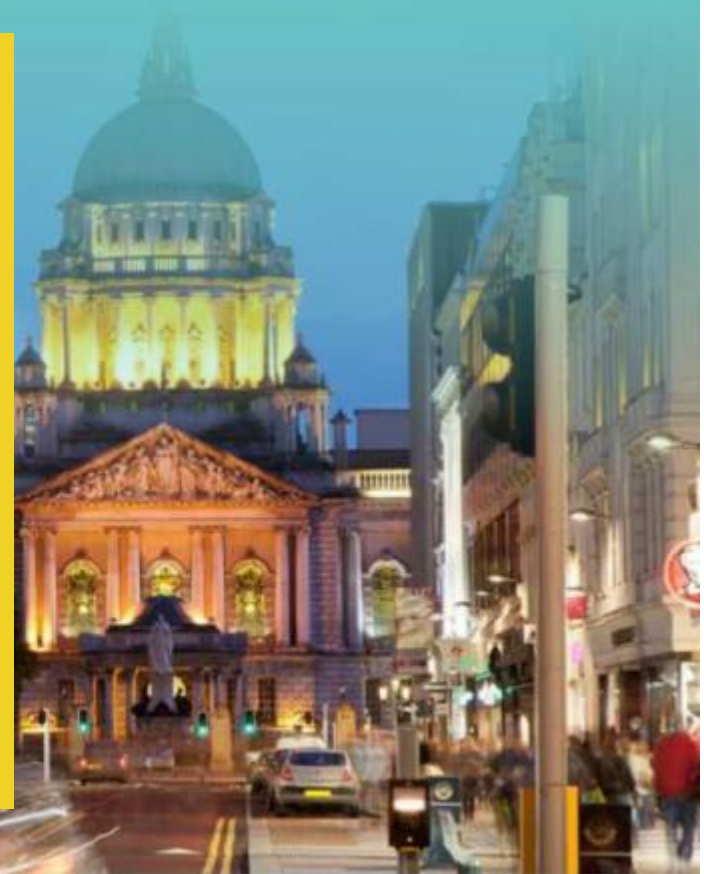
**Your city,
your voice**

A new vision for Belfast 2035

Belfast will be a city re-imagined.
A great place to live for everyone.

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It will energise and drive a successful economy where everyone can reach their potential. Beautiful, well connected and culturally vibrant, it will be a city shared and loved by its people and admired around the world. It will be a producer of and magnet for talent, investment, innovation and creativity - a compassionate place where people create value and are valued.



Our Outcomes to 2035

Suggested 'population indicators' to track each outcome in Appendix 1

By 2035, we want Belfast to be a city:



Ambition for Growth and Opportunity

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By 2035...

Our city is home to an additional **70,000** new residents.

Our urban economy supports **50,000** more jobs.

There will be a **50 per cent** reduction in the life expectancy gap between the most and least deprived neighbourhoods.

Every young person leaving school has a destination that fulfils their potential.

Our focus for the next 4 years, 2017-21



**Growing
the economy**



Living here



**City
development**



**Working and
learning**

Priorities

- Commitments
- Why is this a priority?
- Stretch goals
- Workstreams



**Working and
learning**

**Supporting growth and connecting people
to opportunities.**

Commitments:

- Address educational inequalities and increase skills attainment
- Enhance and increase the skill levels of our residents and attract and retain even more skilled people

Workstreams:

- Deliver an integrated approach to employment and skills
- Deliver a 'Belfast Works' employability programme
- Deliver an integrated city programme to address educational inequalities
- Maximise the benefits of our higher and further education offer
- Establish a city pledge for our young people and a commitment to being a learning city.



Living here

Creating a great city
and neighbourhood living experience

Commitments:

- Improve community relations
- Enable, active, healthy and empowered citizens
- Reduce life inequalities
- Support our young people and older people

Workstreams:

- Ensure an age-friendly Belfast
- Design and deliver Belfast City shared space, Peace IV and Interfaces programmes
- Design and deliver an integrated city programme to address health inequalities, including enhancing mental wellbeing and reducing social isolation



**Growing
the economy**

Creating jobs and investment in the city

Commitments:

- Create employment & opportunity

Workstreams:

- Harness innovation to drive city growth

Consultation questions

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We want to know what you think about the proposed:

- vision for Belfast;
- long-term outcomes that we want for Belfast;
- the ambitions we want to achieve by 2035; and
- the priorities we should be focusing on for the next four years.

Closing date: Thursday 20 April

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