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Replacement Joint Structure Plan Launched

Formal notices have today been placed in all the Ayrshire papers and in the Edinburgh Gazette announcing the start of the preparation of a replacement joint structure plan for Ayrshire.

Every five years East, North and South Ayrshire Councils are required to submit to Government a joint land use plan for their area, known as the Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan. The previous plan was approved in January 2000.

The new plan will take until early 2005 to complete and the community and key agencies will be consulted at various stages.

Our website www.ayrshire-jsu.gov.uk contains full details of the joint structure plan organisation.

At the same time as the formal announcement of the launch, a short discussion leaflet has been produced indicating the sorts of issues likely to be addressed [link to Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan 2025].

Ian Johnson, Joint Structure Plan Manager, stressed the importance of contributing to the debate. He said “this is likely to be a new style of plan and will set Ayrshire on track for the next 20 years. It is vital the Councils get this right and with everyone’s help we can.”

The plan will cover a range of topics from housing and industrial land location, the future shape and form of our communities and how we deal with pressing environmental issues such as water pollution and climate change.

Please take this opportunity to give us your views on how Ayrshire should develop in the next 20 years [link to Your Views – Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan 2025].