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Dear Ms Davie

NATIONAL PLANNING IMPROVEMENT FRAMEWORK: IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN

You may know that I wrote to you last year providing an update on new arrangements for assessing planning authority performance and identifying improvement actions. This outlined how a pilot was being undertaken of a new National Planning Improvement Framework in 3 cohorts.

East Dunbartonshire Council has taken part in cohort 2 of the pilot. This has consisted of a self-assessment against 12 attributes of a high performing planning authority that has in turn allowed for the development of an Improvement Action Plan. These were then discussed as part of a peer collaborative review workshop involving a range of stakeholders and customers engaged with the planning service.

I am pleased to share with you the planning service's finalised Improvement Action Plan that I have endorsed. This is also being shared with the Minister for Public Finance, who has responsibility for planning within Scottish Government, and it will be published on the Improvement Service website. I also attach the Performance Assessment undertaken by the planning service that provided context to identify improvement actions. I would be very happy to meet with you to discuss these.

The National Planning Improvement team will continue to work with the service to support them to implement the actions that have been identified and to monitor progress being made. I would like pass on my thanks to them for their support throughout the process and the constructive approach they took to it.

I hope this is useful but please feel free to contact me if there is anything you would like to discuss at craig.mclaren@improvementservice.org.uk or on 07742 694468.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig McLaren', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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