

Edinburgh Tram Project Tram Line 3 – Amendments to Limits of Deviation

Planning Committee

19 April 2007

Purpose of report

- 1 To refer details of an amendment to the Limits of Deviation for Tram Line 3 to the Planning Committee for its information.

Main Report

- 2 On 13 March 2007 the Executive considered the attached report by the Director of City Development which advised of a proposed change to the safeguarded alignment of Tram Line 3, along Greendykes Road, and sought approval for an amendment to the current Limits of Deviation and Council safeguard.
- 3 The Executive agreed:
 - (a) To note that, following the approval of the alignment of Tram Line 3 by Council in December 2004, a request to alter the approved alignment, along Greendykes Road was received, assessed and agreed, in principle.
 - (b) To approve the proposed amendment to the alignment of Tram Line 3, along Greendykes Road and associated alterations to the Limits of Deviation.
 - (c) To approve the safeguarding of the amendment of the alignment of Tram Line 3 through the Edinburgh City Local Plan and other appropriate planning briefs and guidance documents.
 - (d) To refer the report by the Director of City Development to the Planning Committee for its information.

Recommendation

4 That the Planning Committee notes the contents of the attached report.

Ian Perry
Deputy Leader

Appendices	Report no E/516/06-07/CD
Contact/tel	Hannah Scott 529 4121
Wards affected	City Wide
Background Papers	Minute of Executive 13 March 2007

Edinburgh Tram Project Tram Line 3 – Amendment to Limits of Deviation

Executive of the Council

13 March 2007

Purpose of report

- 1 The purpose of this report is to advise on a proposed change to the safeguarded alignment of Tram Line 3, along Greendykes Road, and seek approval for an amendment to the current Limits of Deviation and Council safeguard.

Main report

- 2 At its meeting, on 9 December 2004, Council approved the safeguarding of the final route alignment of Tram Line 3.
- 3 The proposed route for Tram Line 3 is now currently safeguarded by the Development Plan. This constitutes the Edinburgh and Lothians Structure Plan 2015 (approved 17 June 2004), the Central Edinburgh Local Plan (adopted 29 May 1997) and the South East Edinburgh Local Plan (adopted 18 August 2005). The draft Edinburgh City Local Plan continues to make this provision.
- 4 In early 2005, EDI Ltd, in its role as a member of PARC, the joint venture company, set up by the Council and EDI Ltd, to take forward the Craigmillar Regeneration scheme, approached the Council and **tie** requesting a review of the Tram Line 3 alignment along Greendykes Road.
- 5 The approved alignment of Tram Line 3 safeguards land adjacent to the west side of Greendykes Road. PARC requested consideration be given to locating Tram Line 3 along the middle of a widened Greendykes Road, instead, as this was considered more beneficial to the regeneration proposals.
- 6 Following an initial technical assessment of the request, provisional agreement was reached between PARC, the Council and **tie**. Further discussions and additional technical assessments were undertaken and a proposed, revised alignment was agreed, in principle, between PARC representatives and Council officials.
- 7 Altering the alignment of Tram Line 3, along Greendykes Road, does affect the current, approved Limits of Deviation, which would be slightly widened on the west side, as shown on Drg No 34092/C138/D, in Appendix A. It is recommended that the amendment be formally approved and safeguarded, within the Development Plan, to protect the Council's transport objectives.

- 8 PARC has agreed to set aside land for this purpose and this is reflected in the Craigmillar Regeneration Masterplan and the relevant planning applications, which have been lodged, to date.
- 9 Changing the alignment of Tram Line 3, as proposed, should not have any significant financial implications for the scheme, as the widened Greendykes Road is to be provided as part of the Craigmillar Regeneration scheme.

Financial Implications

- 10 There are no immediate cost implications for Tram Line 3, as a result of approving the amendment of the Limits of Deviation and safeguarding it.

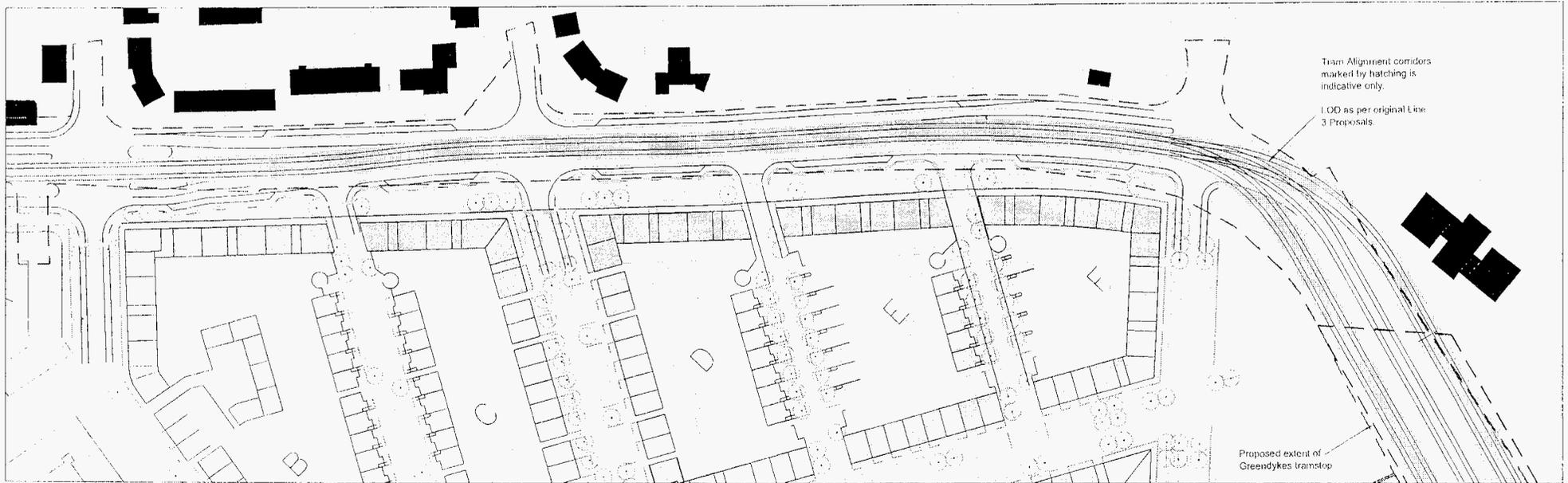
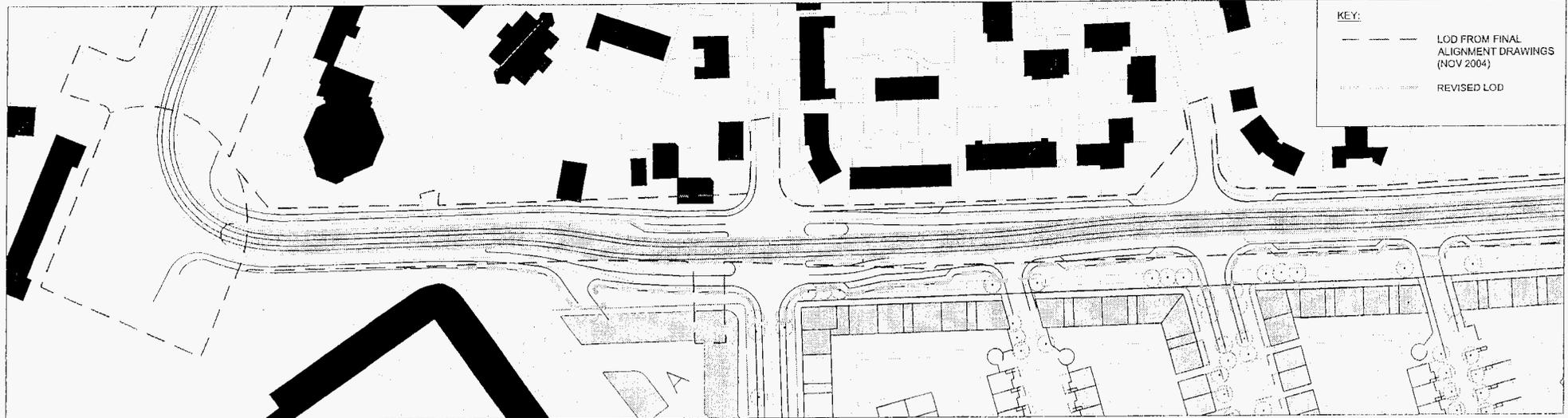
Recommendations

- 11 To note that, following the approval of the alignment of Tram Line 3, by Council, in December 2004, a request to alter the approved alignment, along Greendykes Road, was received, assessed and agreed, in principle.
- 12 To approve the proposed amendment to the alignment of Tram Line 3, along Greendykes Road, and associated alterations to the Limits of Deviation.
- 13 To approve the safeguarding of the amendment of the alignment of Tram Line 3 through the Edinburgh City Local Plan and other appropriate planning briefs and guidance documents.
- 14 To refer this report to the Planning Committee, for its information and noting.



Andrew Holmes
Director of City Development

Appendices	Appendix A – Drg No 34092/C138/D	27.2.07.
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Wards affected	All	
Background Papers	None	



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D	LOD, tram and road alignment revised	SJP	REM	REM	28.02.06
C	LOD, tram & road alignment revised	NSM	TMF	KP	10.01.06
B	LOD Revised & Redevelopment Layout updated	JB	MKG	MCL	25.05.05
A	First Issue	KAB	MKG	MCL	19.05.05

Drawing Title	
EDINBURGH TRAM LINE THREE	
Design Revisions at Greendykes Rd	
Revised Tramway and Infrastructure	
Superimposed on Redevelopment	
Layout by Cadell's Architects	
Drawing No.	34092 / C138

Designed	TMF
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In accordance with the Council's Standing Orders, the contents of this report have been noted by the appropriate Executive Member.

Without prejudice to the integrity of the report, and the recommendations contained within it, the Executive Member expresses his/her own views as follows:

Signed:



Date: 02/03/07

For information – Standing Order 57(1) states:

“Heads of Department will prepare reports, with professional advice and recommendations, on matters requiring decisions by the Executive:

- a report seeking decisions on matters of corporate strategy, corporate policy and corporate projects will be submitted direct to the Executive
- a report seeking decisions on matters relating to the special responsibilities allocated to an individual member of the Executive will be submitted, in the first instance, to that member. The member will add his or her own recommendation to it before submission to the Executive. Where the Executive member disagrees with the advice and the recommendation of the officers, the Executive member will also state his or her reasons.”