

North East Scotland *Together*

Report of Survey

1. Introduction

The Report of Survey is an integral part of the structure plan in supporting the Written Statement and is one of the principal submissions to the Scottish Executive. The information it contains provides the background to the issues, which the plan needs to address and forms the basis upon which policies have been prepared. It focuses on the key strategic topics, setting down the baseline data and indicators of change against which the Structure Plan's progress can be charted.

The contents of the Report of Survey are drawn together in topic sections, which correspond with those of the Written Statement. It builds upon existing information published by the two councils and draws on appropriate material from other sources to support the policies. In keeping the Report of Survey as brief as possible, not all technical information has been included. Where necessary, appropriate cross-referencing to other publications and sources, such as the Structure Plan Area Forecasts and National Planning Policy Guidance, are made.

Two other important elements are included in the Report of Survey. These are a schedule, which helps to explain how national policy guidance has been applied and a more detailed appraisal of settlements in the Aberdeen Housing Market Area.