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Introduction

This Master Planning Guideline document was developed in 2019 by Dubai Development Authority (DDA). It sets out the process and the key priorities and principles that guide the design of the built environment for all developments under DDA planning jurisdiction.

The guideline incorporates a multidisciplinary design approach that integrates all relevant elements of the master plan. This approach facilitates a holistic and complete design focusing on the key elements of land use, buildings, open space, mobility and utility services proposals.

Developers and consultants must endeavour to achieve the minimum requirements set out in this guideline. Early consideration and engagement with the authority is recommended to achieve these requirements.

Additionally, this document aims to record the current best practices which are recommended to guide the development of the master plan.