

## Plan Mid Devon Survey

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### Question 1

**Q1 Priority 1] Responding to the climate emergency and moving to a net-zero carbon future**

Yes

**Q1] Do you agree Priority 1 responding to the climate emergency and moving to a net-zero carbon future should be the overarching / top priority for Plan Mid Devon?**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 1] Please state why?**

**Q1 Priority 2] Delivering development, infrastructure and regeneration to meet our needs**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 2] Please state why?**

**Q1 Priority 3] Addressing housing affordability and improving choice**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 3] Please state why?**

**Q1 Priority 4] Protecting and enhancing the natural and built environment, and respecting environmental limits**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 4] Please state why?**

**Q1 Priority 5] Improving our health and well-being**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 5] Please state why?**

**Q1 Priority 6] Supporting rural vitality and a prosperous rural economy**

Yes

**Q1 Priority 6] Please state why?**

**Q1] Are there other priorities that we should include instead, please state why?**

**Question 2**

**Q2] What parts of this vision do you think should be kept and what parts should be changed, and why?**

High quality development is a bit vague and ill defined. People will have different interpretations. It should define high quality development as development that meets the sustainability objectives of the plan.

**Question 3**

**Q3] Do you think that the Local Plan should introduce policies requiring that all developments which propose the construction of new homes or non-residential floor space will be designed, constructed and will perform to deliver net-zero carbon emissions?**

Yes

**Q3] Please provide your reasons**

#### **Question 4**

**Q4] Do you think that the Local Plan should introduce a policy to address the Whole Life-cycle carbon impacts of a development?**

Yes

**Q4] Do you think we should take the following approach(es)?**

Exclusion - banning 'things' with unacceptably poor performance / impact, Preference - preferring 'things' with better performance / lower negative impact, Quantified performance - setting explicit, quantified limits that determine which 'things' are acceptable / unacceptable

**Q4] Do you have any other comments on Whole Life-cycle carbon impacts, or which circumstances each of the three approaches might apply?**

At present the powers of the council are limited in this respect since most of the criteria are in building regulations which are set nationally. MDDC should lobby with other councils to have more powers at local level under planning to enforce a whole life cycle approach.

#### **Question 5**

**Q5] How do you think we should plan the future of Mid Devon to help reduce the need to travel by car?**

We should improve cycle and pedestrian facilities across the District in liaison with DCC. Also improve public transport especially connectivity eg between bus and train services. Develop 20 minute neighbourhoods.

#### **Question 6**

**Q6] How do you think the new Local Plan should plan for renewable energy developments?**

Identify one or more broad areas in the district within which proposals for renewable energy could be supported e.g. for wind and solar? , Do not identify suitable locations but set out

criteria for determining planning applications?, Require all strategic urban extensions and the Culm Garden Village to include decentralised renewable or low carbon energy supplies (subject to feasibility and viability)?

### **Q6] Comments**

I think criteria for renewable development especially wind should be agreed but also suitable sites /areas should be identified. I would like to see solar panels on all new developments.

### **Question 7**

#### **Q7] Which renewable energy technologies should be prioritised in Mid Devon?**

Onshore wind, Solar Photovoltaic (PV), Small scale hydro, Energy from waste, Heat networks, Solar thermal, Heat pumps

### **Q7] Comments**

whilst there can be opposition to onshore wind , they have their place i they are carefully sited and not too large.

### **Question 8**

#### **Q8] Are there any other measures in relation to the development and use of land and buildings that you think the Local Plan should consider to help address climate change and help us move towards a low carbon future?**

New developments should have renewable energy built in, . Building regs at national level need to be strengthened and more powers given to local councils planning departments. also there should be permeable hard standing for drives to enable water to run off/be absorbed.

### **Question 9**

**Q9] Which new technologies and/or digital communications are most important to you and you think we should encourage/support through the new Local Plan?**

Fibre broadband connection to new premises, Wireless internet access, Satellite signal

### **Question 10**

**Q10] Do you think that Plan Mid Devon should explore allocating sites in the Local Plan for Build to Rent homes?**

Yes

### **Q10] Comments**

more houses for social rent and not just build to rent. ie through social housing providers.

### **Question 11**

**Q11] Do you think that the new Local Plan should introduce additional eligibility criteria in addition to the national criteria referred to in the issues paper?**

Yes

### **Q11] Comments**

should include housing for key workers.

### **Question 12**

**Q12] Do you think that Plan Mid Devon should set minimum requirements for accessible and adaptable housing?**

Yes

## **Q12] Comments**

yes where appropriate.

## **Question 13**

### **Q13] Which types of specialist housing do you think we need more of and why?**

more very sheltered housing for old people so that they can stay in their own home and not have to move to a care home.

## **Question 14**

### **Q14] Do you think that there is any demand for senior co-housing communities in Mid Devon and is this something we should be planning positively for?**

Yes

## **Q14] Comments**

Most people do not understand what co housing is so there should be explanations and presentations for those interested.

## **Question 15**

### **Q15] In addition to requiring a percentage as custom and self-build on larger sites, what else can the Council do to support custom and self-build in Mid Devon?**

as above explain what is involved since people dont understand.

## **Question 16**

**Q16] What types of custom and self-build would you like to see more of in Mid Devon?**

Net zero housing

### **Question 17**

**Q17] What can Plan Mid Devon do to support community-led, co-housing and custom and self-build projects?**

see above but also allocate some sites for this purpose

### **Question 18**

**Q18] Do you think that Plan Mid Devon should include a policy to support Modern Methods of Construction?**

Yes

### **Q18] Comments**

with environmental performance and sustainability at the top of the agenda.

### **Question 19**

**Q19] What do you think we can do to raise awareness and understanding of MMC and realise the opportunities for MMC in Mid Devon?**

Lobby builders and developers to carry out this type of construction. have homes that can be visited by the public.

### **Question 20**

**Q20] Do you think that Mid Devon should introduce a 'One Planet Development' policy that would provide scope for modest scale low impact, land based developments in the countryside, subject to strict requirements?**

Yes

### **Q20] Comments**

there could be alot of interest in this type of development.

### **Question 21**

**Q21A] Identify sites in the three main towns - Tiverton, Cullompton, and Crediton**

Yes

**Q21B] Identify sites outside the main towns in rural and semi-rural locations**

Yes

**Q21C] Include a policy for rural exceptions sites to meet local traveller needs**

Yes

### **Question 22**

**Q22] Are you aware of a site that you think may be suitable to provide homes and Gypsies and Travellers, a transit site or emergency / negotiated stopping place, or a yard for Travelling Show People?**

Yes

**Q22] Please tell us where the site is and which use you think it might be most suitable for**

The gypsy community should be consulted about this since they are the ones who know where the sites are and also what their needs are. Good to hear there will be 5 sites at Pedlarspool development

**Question 23**

**Q23] How do you think we should plan for a green economic recovery in Mid Devon? Please select 3 priorities**

Farm diversification to support the processing and sale of food locally, Green public transport, cycling and walking, Refurbishing and retrofitting properties to meet energy standards

**Question 24**

**Q24] Which of the following ways should the new Local Plan help commercial development across the district?**

Require a proportion of all employment sites to be developed in small land parcels that can be attractive to micro, small and medium sized enterprise, Identify opportunities for co-working space, Space for low cost, flexible and temporary accommodation

**Q24] Comments**

**Question 25**

**Q25] What do you consider to be the key infrastructure issues that Plan Mid Devon needs to address?**

Cycle routes . community infrastructure on new estates. Well positioned play space for children. Community centres .

### **Question 26**

**Q26] Please select your top three priorities for the new Local Plan to address in a review of parking standards.**

Providing shared parking areas, Charging facilities for electric vehicles

### **Question 27**

**Q27] Do you have any comments on how Plan Mid Devon can help the transition to electric vehicles?**

ensure an adequate supply of charging facilities in appropriate places. Dedicated parking for cars when it comes to Mid Devon

### **Question 28**

**Q28] Is there any other areas in Mid Devon that you think should be designated as a 'Local Green Space'?**

**Q28] Please tell us why you think this area?**

### **Question 29**

**Q29] What do you think is the minimum level of Biodiversity Net Gain that the new Local Plan should set? (please select one)**

More than 10% Biodiversity Net Gain

**Q29] You selected 'More than 10% Biodiversity Net Gain', so what do you think this should be and why?**

Bio diversity is crucial for our future and plans to be net zero by 2030. I would like to see a target of 50% to tackle the climate emergency

### **Question 30**

**Q30] In addition to securing tree planting along new streets and walking / cycle paths and as part of green infrastructure, should Plan Mid Devon include a prescribed level of tree planting in new development?**

Yes

**Q30] If Yes, please tell us what level you think this should be and why?**

One tree for every ten houses.

### **Question 31**

**Q31] Are there any specific parts of the Grand Western Canal that should be given more protection and why?**

Not familiar enough with the canal to comment. but it should be given as much protection as possible.

### **Question 32**

**Q32] Please select what you think should be the top three measures in terms of their importance in the planning our places to encourage and support healthy lifestyles**

Buildings and spaces for community use to support social interaction and mental well-being, Opportunities for active travel, including walking and cycle routes, Opportunities for growing

food locally, e.g. through allotments or the planting of fruit trees as part of landscaping schemes

### **Question 33**

**Q33] National Planning policy and guidance does not define what is meant by 'beauty' in design. What aspects of design, such as layout, architecture or landscape elements, do you think would contribute to create beautiful places and buildings?**

Reflect the vernacular Green buildings eg via balconies and window boxes Trees planted for design Biodiversity in green spaces.

### **Question 34**

**Q34 TIVERTON]**

**Q34 CREDITON]**

Maintain a high proportion of shops and other commercial uses and services?, Support a wider visitor experience by giving flexibility for a variety of other uses, including leisure, cultural and entertainment facilities?

**Q34 CULLOMPTON]**

Crediton's Traffic and Urban Reach feasibility study should be included in the planning of Crediton Town centre.

### **Question 35**

**Q35] Which town (or village or rural area) do you live in?**

Crediton

### **Question 36**

#### **Q36] What do you like most about where you live?**

the strong sense of community. A vibrant town centre with lots of local shops. The farmeres market twice a month. Being close to amenities. ie 20 min neighbourhood. Many community/artistic activities going on.

### **Question 37**

#### **Q37] How do you think we could achieve a 20 minute neighbourhood where you live to make it more sustainable?**

Improve connectivity between and within neighbourhoods. . especially to the town centre. eg the contraflow n Belle Parade is a great asset for cyclists. More other cycle routes where appropriate and pedestrian cut throughs.

### **Question 38**

#### **Q38] What do you think are the top 5 main issues affecting Tiverton and its environs that need to be addressed in a new Local Plan? Please rank these in order of importance (1 = most important, 5 = least important)**

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

### **Question 39**

#### **Q39] What do you think are the opportunities for us to consider in the future planning of Tiverton and its environs, including locations that may be suitable for development?**

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

#### **Question 40**

**Q40] What do you think are the top 5 main issues affecting Cullompton and its environs that need to be addressed in a new Local Plan? Please rank these in order of importance (1 = most important, 5 = least important)**

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#### **Question 41**

**Q41] What do you think are the opportunities for us to consider in the future planning of Cullompton and its environs, including locations that may be suitable for development?**

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

#### **Question 42**

**Q42] What do you think are the top 5 main issues affecting Crediton and its environs that need to be addressed in a new Local Plan? Please rank these in order of importance (1 = most important, 5 = least important)**

1]Affordable social housing 2]Community facilities. 3]Town centre traffic 4]open green amenity space 5]Appropriate local shops

#### **Question 43**

**Q43] What do you think are the opportunities for us to consider in the future planning of Crediton and its environs, including locations that may be suitable for development?**

1] more community led housing. 2] More renewable energy developments 3] Self build 4] Ensuring a higher proportion of affordable housing 5] Green spaces.

#### **Question 44**

**Q44] Which community facilities in village(s) in Mid Devon do you think are currently at risk of being lost through closure or other development?**

Village: Community facility currently at risk:

#### **Question 45**

**Q45] What do you think are the top 5 main issues affecting the rural areas and villages in Mid Devon that need to be addressed in a new Local Plan? Please rank these in order of importance (1 = most important, 5 = least important)**

1] Transport 2] Shops 3] Community facilities. 4] 5]

#### **Question 46**

**Q46] What do you think are the opportunities for us to consider in the future planning of the villages in Mid Devon, including locations that may be suitable for development?**

1]see above 2] 3] 4] 5]

#### **Question 47**

**Q47] Which village(s) in Mid Devon do you think should have more development to support the provision of new and improved community facilities, and why?**

Village: Community facility needed: Reason why:

### **Question 48**

**Q48] Please tell us where more development at one village in Mid Devon could help sustain local shops and services at a village nearby?**

### **Question 49**

**Q49] What types of non-farming activity do you think should be supported in the countryside and why?**

Renewable energy via small scale wind turbines and solar panels in appropriate places.  
Camping sites.

### **Question 50**

**Q50] What types of non-farming activity do you think should NOT be supported in the countryside and why?**

Activity that generates car and lorry journeys and activities that create pollution

### **Question 51**

**Q51] How should the Council provide more support for the growth and prosperity of the rural economy?**

Affordable homes for local people so that they can stay in the area. Sustainable leisure activities. Supporting the Boniface Trail from Crediton to Exeter. Looking at imaginative ways of providing transport eg like the Yorkshire scheme to use postal vans to carry people.

## **Question 52**

**Q52] What things do you think should be included in the planning of the Culm Garden Village to make it a successful place to live, work and visit? Please rank in their order of importance (where 1 is the most important)**

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

## **Question 53**

**Q53] Do you think we should:**

Drop the plan for Junction 27 since it is completely car based.

**Q53] Comments**

Reconsider the whole plan for junction 27 i the light of changing circumstance.

## **Question 54**

**Q54] Continue to restrict development to the currently designated 22 rural settlements based on their level of services**

**Q54] Identify certain settlements to grow as service centres for a local hinterland including nearby villages and hamlets**

**Q54] Allow limited development at more villages and hamlets to help meet identified local housing need, where these have good digital communciations (broadband / wireless internet / satellite)**

Yes

**Q54] Other, please tell us what this is and why**

**Question 55**

**Q55] What other things do you think we should take into consideration in a strategy for the broad distribution of development in the new Local Plan for Mid Devon?**

**Question 56**

**Q56] Are there any other issues that we have not identified or other matters that we have not discussed which you think are important to the future planning of Mid Devon? Please tell us what these are and why?**

Lobby Central Government for more powers especially in relation to new developments and building more sustainable and energy efficient buildings.

**Question 57**

**Q57] Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal**

**Question 58**

**Q58] Comments on the Equalities Impact Assessment**

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