

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

No

Q1 Priority 2] Please state why?

Development is usually of financial benefit to no-one but developers. S106 £ rarely compensate communities appropriately and net biodiversity gain is a myth. The loss of mature woodlands, hedgerows and green space cannot be replaced in any meaningful timescales. The management requirements for ongoing maintenance for 25 years are highly unlikely to be met once the development is completed.

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?

Water Quality - see response below re sustainability

Question 2

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

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

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

Question 5

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

Yes but not always practical for remoter areas needing to access facilities

Question 6

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

Identify one or more specific suitable sites in the district for renewable energy e.g. for wind, and solar or small-scale hydro? , 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

Question 7

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

Solar Photovoltaic (PV), Small scale hydro, Solar thermal

Q7] Comments

AD is a wholly inappropriate industrial process for rural area (unless strictly on farm only) profiting investors, leaving communities with a surfeit of waste material needing to be transported and disposed of. Heat pumps are not a solution for much of the older housing stock requiring major retrofit of underfloor heating and larger radiators and pipework. Too expensive for most people to install.

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?

Support for landowners and farmers to address impacts of their activities in reducing climate impacts and support for more local seasonal food, to address food security in the future.

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

Question 10

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

Not sure

Q10] Comments

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

Question 12

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

Yes

Q12] Comments

Question 13

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

Flexible and adaptable housing for older people

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?

Not sure

Q14] Comments

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?

Question 16

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

Question 17

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

Question 18

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

Not sure

Q18] Comments

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?

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?

Not Sure

Q20] Comments

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

No

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

No

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?

No

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

Question 23

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

Renewable / clean energy, Protecting the natural environment to sequester carbon, Why only allowing 3 options that is ridiculous, I want most of these!!

Question 24

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

Include a policy for Live-work units

Q24] Comments

Question 25

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

Adaption to climate change

Question 26

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

The number of spaces, 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?

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?

See previous answer re net gain

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?

As many trees as possible, essential for us and nature, cooling streets and houses going to become ever more necessary.

Question 31

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

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

Opportunities and access to open space and play and recreation, Opportunities for growing food locally, e.g. through allotments or the planting of fruit trees as part of landscaping schemes, Improving habitats and biodiversity

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?

Question 34

Q34 TIVERTON]

Allow the conversion of more commercial properties to residential use?

Q34 CREDITON]

Support a wider visitor experience by giving flexibility for a variety of other uses, including leisure, cultural and entertainment facilities?

Q34 CULLOMPTON]

Allow the conversion of more commercial properties to residential use?

Question 35

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

Newton st cyres

Question 36

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

Access to the countryside and an active community

Question 37

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

A shop and more frequent train stops at our station, say hourly

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)

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

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)

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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] 2] 3] 4] 5]

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)

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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]no large scale developments which would overwhelm small communities 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?

Planting more woodlands with native species only as we will be losing so much to Ash dieback

Question 50

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

Anaerobic digesters- see note above

Question 51

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

Stop focussing on growth and consider other economic models for improving wellbeing

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:

B) Reconsider the current Local Plan proposals through updated technical studies and assumptions?

Q53] Comments

Question 54

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

Yes

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

No

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)

No

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?

Water quality and flooding- support for engaging with landowners to develop nature based solutions and measures to reduce pollution and flood risk. Use of our rivers for recreation and wildlife depend on them being unpolluted which is clearly not the case currently.

Question 57

Q57] Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal

One of the issues I do not see mentioned is the increase reliance on accessing all council services online to reduce costs with little acknowledgement of sections of the community which are not IT literate due to age or have no access to local technology.

Question 58

Q58] Comments on the Equalities Impact Assessment

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