

## 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?**

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**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?**

**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?**

bearing in mind ongoing development in technology which is aimed at improving our understanding of the ways we can cause damage to our environment, and to ways in which we can safely address regional matters, the approaches we take need to be vigorously reviewed and updated. There should be resources allocated to ensuring the nothing 'slips through the net' when it comes to banning things which have unacceptable performance and/or impact

## **Question 5**

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

Clearly, review and update public transport, but also, for obvious reasons, explore ways in which the communities are made more welcoming to younger people

## **Question 6**

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

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**

### **Question 7**

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

Onshore wind, Solar Photovoltaic (PV), Biomass energy, Energy from waste, Anaerobic Digestion (AD), Solar thermal, Heat pumps, our approaches need to be flexible to accommodate new developments in renewable energy technologies

## **Q7] Comments**

### **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?**

### **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?**

Yes

### **Q10] Comments**

house purchase, as we are all aware, is becoming increasingly unfeasible for many. Good quality housing for rent in the public sector should become more widely available

### **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?**

Not sure

### **Q11] Comments**

### **Question 12**

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

Yes

### **Q12] Comments**

for building? Absolutely; and these will, of course, include using the highest possible standards of material and method to maximise usage of low/renewable energies

### **Question 13**

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

### **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**

I'm not sure; in an earlier comment I referred to encouraging more younger people to live in our communities thus reducing the concentration of senior households and promoting more 'shared' supportive family living.

### **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?**

I'm not sure I do want to see more of this??

### **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?**

Yes

### **Q18] Comments**

no question about it! Naturally, any agreed policy would include allocating sufficient resources for the council to stay ahead of developments in this area to ensure new modern methods are included as they become tested and approved

### **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**

I've answered 'not sure' but the answer is probably 'yes' - my hesitation is around - could Mid Devon realistically have the resources to abide by/ fit in with a 'One planet development'? Or should we just be doing our absolute best with the resources and expertise we have available, consistent with, a wider strategy?

### **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**

Farm diversification to support the processing and sale of food locally, Green public transport, cycling and walking, Greener more energy efficient buildings

### **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, Space for low cost, flexible and temporary accommodation

### **Q24] Comments**

I am in favour of supporting small enterprise so flexible, low cost accommodation would be helpful

### **Question 25**

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

### **Question 26**

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

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?**

by providing more electric charging facilities - across the region on main roads

### **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?**

because this is a rapidly changing (& crucial) matter. The council needs, in my opinion, to be striving for far more than the minimum

### **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?**

I'm not qualified to say what level but the reason for saying 'yes' is that trees help us in so many ways - not least environmentally and, in living in an area which is 'greener', more satisfying

### **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 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?**

the planting of more trees, as mentioned above

### **Question 34**

**Q34 TIVERTON]**

Support a wider visitor experience by giving flexibility for a variety of other uses, including leisure, cultural and entertainment facilities?, Allow the conversion of more commercial properties to residential use?

**Q34 CREDITON]**

Allow the conversion of more commercial properties to residential use?

**Q34 CULLOMPTON]**

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

### **Question 35**

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

Tiverton

### **Question 36**

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

that I can walk for miles in beautiful countryside, from my front door. I also really like the range of shops in Tiverton though the market could do with some encouragement to 'stay local'

### **Question 37**

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

### **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] social housing for low income families 2] support farmers to sell locally grown produce in the market; address the problem of foreign produce in the market 3] more electric charging points 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] low income, foreign workers - encouragement for greater integration? 2] unappealing centre of town - plan to vitalise - or close? 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)**

1] 2] 3] 4] 5]

### **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)**

1] 2] 3] 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] 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?**

#### **Question 50**

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

#### **Question 51**

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

### **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:**

A) Continue with current Local Plan proposals to develop land at Junction 27 for a major high quality regional tourism, leisure and retail attraction?

**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**

Yes

**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?**

**Question 57**

**Q57] Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal**

**Question 58**

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

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