

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

No

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?

No

Q1 Priority 1] Please state why?

It blinds people to the bigger picture.: How we are going to feed a growing population. The mental stresses caused by increasing and unfettered urbanisation The carbon footprint of

many green solutions The energy crisis. All new builds should have solar panels. How are we going to generate enough electricity for electric cars for instance?

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

No

Q1 Priority 5] Please state why?

Too much money is spent on trying to persuade people to live healthier lifestyles. People either get the message or they don't. How about tree corridors along all major roads in the county?

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?

Cleaning up air and water pollution. This will enhance people's lives and make them healthier. Reducing the size of vehicles on our roads would make everyone safer and reduce the need for constant road repairs and the carbon footprint that generates

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)?

Preference - preferring 'things' with better performance / lower negative 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?

Cycle paths preferably away from road traffic. More busses especially ones that connect with commuter train services or link railway stations with airports. Some sort of car share system? Some cross-boundary link ups. I am closer to Wellington than Tiverton.

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?

Energy from waste

Q7] Comments

Please don't spoil our beautiful coastline with windmills.

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

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

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?

Not sure

Q12] Comments

Question 13

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

Very little thought seems to be given about retirement needs

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?

Yes

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?

No

Q20] Comments

Far too open to mission creep and, if Holcombe Rogus is any indication, unenforceable

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

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

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

Innovative and high growth sectors (e.g. pharmaceuticals, aerospace, creatives, financial / professional and business services and emerging industries such as Artificial Intelligence), Farm diversification to support the processing and sale of food locally, Greener more energy efficient buildings

Question 24

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

Continue to allocate larger employment estates at a few locations , 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

Q24] Comments

Question 25

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

It's about time developers were made to put in roads BEFORE being allowed to build and sell houses. That way road improvements would actually happen. This area is slowly becoming gridlocked.

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, The size of each parking space, Providing private parking spaces

Question 27

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

No. It's coming far too quickly. Electric cars are too expensive and the range is nowhere near far enough for safe travel in inclement weather

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?

This is a small pleasant green in the middle of Westleigh with some mature sycamore trees.
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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?

Given what's been lost in the last 50 years I should think it would need to be a minimum of 25% just to get back. Where are the grass snakes, slow worms, hedgehogs, toads, house flies, lacewings, silverfish ?

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?

Trees, if allowed to grow, give shade and help reduce stress.

Question 31

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

Whipcott to Lowdwells is now the only truly rural part of the canal and pretty much the only place where you can't hear the motorway. Absence of background hum can be very beneficial.

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,
Good design and place making, Decent homes and amenity space around them

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]

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

Q34 CREDITON]

Q34 CULLOMPTON]

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Question 35

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

Westleigh

Question 36

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

I look on to a green space.

Question 37

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

Regular bus service to Tiverton Parkway. Encourage opening of a local hub - pub/shop/cafe

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]Traffic 2]housing costs 3]second homes 4]state of rural roads 5]air pollution

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]Tiverton would be so much more pleasant with some sort of riverside access 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]Traffic 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)

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: Burlescombe Community facility currently at risk: permanent loss of pub (Ayshford Arms)

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] Lack of basic shops 2] lack of public transport 3] potholes and crumbling road surfaces
4] housing costs 5] weeds breaking up the edges of roads and pavements

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?

Anything involving beeping vehicles or large vehicles using single track roads

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:

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

Q53] Comments

Have a talk with West Somerset. Their plans for jct 26 make far more sense.

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)

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?

Make sure fibre broadband is taken into rural communities ASAP as this allows micro businesses to develop and people to work from home.

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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