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The NHS has released details of GP surgeries in the Exmouth area commissioned to provide free flu vaccinations for those most at risk.

Free vaccinations will be available for those living with chronic health conditions, the immuno-suppressed, people aged 65 and over, as well as children aged two to four years,

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Survey reveals residents' priorities for Exmouth

New housing and deciding the future of the seafront are among the priorities for Exmouth, a survey for the town's proposed neighbourhood plan has suggested.

The survey, carried out in May and June, received more than 2,000 responses, and a report on its findings has now been published by independent body Devon Communities Together.

This has also produced a draft vision for the plan, which states: "Exmouth aims to be a friendly, welcoming, safe, clean and vibrant town, building on our traditional seaside heritage balanced with an aspiration to be forward thinking. We will enable all, young and old, to have a great place to live work and visit."

The neighbourhood plan steering

group now plans to hold discussions with stakeholder groups, and establish working groups on specific issues, before an outline neighbourhood plan is produced in draft form by the end of the year. The plan is a way for residents to influence what happens in Exmouth during the next 15 years.

Steering group chairman Roy Pryke said: "The key themes for Exmouth's Neighbourhood Plan are now emerging in the required way. These include the importance of more housing specifically planned to suit local people, young and old.

"Among the issues to be addressed is striking the balance between preserving Exmouth's history as a seaside town and the town becoming more forward thinking. The huge asset of Exmouth seafront, particularly the future development at Queen's Drive, will require careful consideration.

"Before the end of 2016, the Outline Neighbourhood Plan will be in draft and there will be another round of consultations to check that the draft plan reflects what people want.

"This is a unique chance for Exmouth's voice to be heard and to change the way decisions on developments in the town are planned and implemented."

The full survey will be available at the Exmouth Town Council offices, 44 Rolle Street, and online at www.exmouthneighbourhoodplan.uk/documents.htm, from Monday, September 19.