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## Local Plan Consultation

A quick survey for the East Devon Local Plan

We appreciate many people are very busy and may not have time to look through the lengthy draft Local Plan and all the questions we ask.

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So we have created this quick survey for those with less time but who still want to have their voices heard.

We ask some simple questions about some big issues that will affect future development in East Devon and also about how we protect and enhance our outstanding assets.

### Have your say below

Paramount Exmouth is bounded by water on two of its four sides. It can only expand further on a restricted perimeter. Development beyond that becomes proportionately further from the centre. A new town (like Cranbrook) seems a good idea.

1. Where should new homes and jobs go - the big picture: further from the centre. The Government require us to plan for around 20,500 extra homes in East Devon (1,040 a year) for the period of 2020 to 2040.

There are already planning commitments to build lots of these homes but for the others our big approach is to:

- ✓ Plan for another new town (a second one after Cranbrook) to accommodate a large part of this growth
- ✓ Plan for quite large numbers of homes at our biggest towns Infill is good practice
- Plan for more modest development at small towns and larger villages
- Plan for low levels of housing at smaller villages and in the countryside.

Around half of the planned growth would be close to Exeter on the western side of our District and employment and jobs growth would follow a similar pattern

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## 2. Striking the right balance

It is understandable that different people will have different priorities and in the Local Plan, when we think about future development and protecting our assets, we have tried to find the right balance between what might be seen as competing objectives.

**To help us, and to see if we have got the balance right, can you select what is most important to you below.**

### What is most important to you? (Select up to 3)

Select one or more options

- We need to build homes to accommodate all East Devon residents
- We want to see better paid jobs and a more skilled workforce in East Devon
- We want our town centres to be a real focus for shops, businesses, social attractions.
- We want to tackle climate change and reduce carbon emissions
- We want new buildings to be well designed and beautiful
- We want to protect and enhance our natural environment
- We need to build homes so people can move into East Devon from elsewhere

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We want to see villages grow and more development in the countryside

 Add something else

### 3. Homes for all

In the ideal world everyone would have the perfect home to live in, meeting all their needs and desires.

How important do you think the following are?

**Providing homes that are affordable for all**

1       2       3       4       5

Very important      Of no real importance

**Providing homes specifically for elderly people and the retired**

1       2       3       4       5

Very important      Of no real importance

**Encouraging new self-build homes**

1       2       3       4       5

Very important      Of no real importance

**Ensuring homes are built to the highest green standards**

1       2       3       4       5

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4

5

Very important

Of no real importance

**Building higher density new homes, especially in town centres**

1

2

3

4

5

Very important

Of no real importance

**Building homes that are easy to live in for disabled people**

1

2

3

4

5

Very important

Of no real importance

**Building homes that are close to schools, shops and other services**

1

2

3

4

5

Very important

Of no real importance

**4. The future of jobs and employment**

There have been a lot of new jobs created in East Devon in recent years but also job losses and changes in the kind of work people to do and where they do it.

Many of the new jobs, especially in higher skill areas, have been close to Exeter and we are planning for more in this area but also want to support jobs across the rest of East Devon.

**Thinking about the future of jobs in East Devon please rank the following considerations in your priority order and what you would like to see.**

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## What is most important to you?

Sort in order of importance

I would like to see more high-tech jobs close to Exeter

New jobs are not really important as there are lots of jobs elsewhere, such as in Exeter

1 — An expansion of jobs in green and environmentally responsible sectors

East Devon has lots of retired people so planning for more jobs is not really that important

3 — Protecting traditional job sectors such as farming and tourism

2 — A priority placed on encouraging jobs and business opportunities in town centres

Jobs that pay much higher wages

More opportunities for people to work from home

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Please drag and move the boxes into priority order, with your top preference at the top and bottom at the bottom.

### 5. A changing climate and how East Devon may respond

In our Local Plan we set out policies that seek to support energy efficiency, green new buildings and renewable energy generation. But where do you think the priorities should lie?

#### What is most important/relevant?

Select one or more options

- ~~I don't believe global warming is happening so we should not be taking any actions in response~~
- 1 — I believe a real priority should be attached to better insulations standards in new buildings
- 3 — I think we should build on-shore windfarms in East Devon
- ~~Whilst global warming is important, it will have a minimal impact on East Devon so we should not worry~~
- 2 — I believe we should build more solar farms in East Devon

### 6. Protecting and enhancing our environment

We think East Devon is an exceptional place to live and has a truly outstanding environment.

We have policies in our plan that seek to protect and enhance our natural and built

environment but how important do you think it is?

Please give us your views on the following statements.

Protecting biodiversity and wildlife is a critical concern in East Devon

1 2 3 4 5

Strongly agree Strongly disagree

*(Handwritten: checkmark over 1, circle around 1)*

Protecting old historic buildings is extremely important

1 2 3 4 5

Strongly agree Strongly disagree

*(Handwritten: checkmark over 3)*

We put too much emphasis on protecting the environment and doing so harms securing better jobs and new homes for people to live in

1 2 3 4 5

Strongly agree Strongly disagree

*(Handwritten: question mark to the right)*

Our landscapes and AONBs are critically important to protect

1 2 3 4 5

Strongly agree Strongly disagree

*(Handwritten: checkmark over 2)*

~~We can support much more development without harming the environment~~

1 2 3 4 5



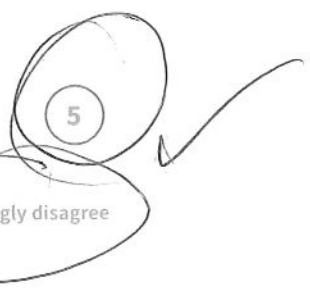
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Strongly agree

Strongly disagree

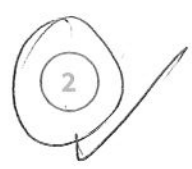
**The environment is overrated and I am not really bothered about its protection**



Strongly agree

Strongly disagree

**The impact of climate change is more important than other environmental concerns**



Strongly agree

Strongly disagree

Your response to our quick survey will give us real valuable feedback to see if we have got our priorities right and have struck the right balance in the plan. We will report on the answers we receive.

**If you have any further comments you want to make, please provide them below**

- e.g. this and that
- ① Exmouth had its share of expansion. Development on the fringes will lead to disproportionate growth away from the Town Centre (because the perimeters are limited by the water on 2 sides).
  - ② The central position of the Railway Station is an immense asset, often ignored.
  - ③ It seems that Developers are avoiding the percentage of affordable housing legally required & getting away with it.
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④ The Neighbourhood Plan must be respected.  
Where is the evidence for green routes through  
Valley Parks?

Jan Pawson (resident for 52 years) (Member of  
Residents' Groups)

