

Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group

Draft Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Feedback - February 2016

07/03/2017



Following the community consultations that were held throughout February 2017, for the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan, the following feedback was received. The comments were each

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1	09/02/2017	TOR/9	Cannot see any improvement in bus services whatsoever. We have lived here 30 years and it is the worst it has ever been. Surely there is a small bus company willing to help out. Plymouth Bus is a terrible service we can no longer get to Union St	06/03/2017	Mayor responded having visited the bus company who are working towards improving the service, recommend continued liaison with the bus companies when future development is commenced	N
2	10/02/2017	TOR/SS2	Inability to view the maps on a single page in this presentation of the plan is a major shortcoming. Bottom End of Town Issues - Second sentence 'coordinated' not uncoordinated. Too much repetition of 'coordinated'. The plan looks very good but I am very concerned that there does not appear to be any provision for parking cars in the town center, I could not see any car parks at all, it is not viable to only have the Sainsbury's site car park as it is too far away for disabled/elderly people and people just wanting to pop in a shop quickly, No center car parks such as we have now will be the death of the town and all the fantastic shops we have there	06/03/2017	View electronic version of map on a single page, clarity on coordinated	Y
3	14/02/2017	TOR/4	The Estate is generally supportive of the Policy in relation to the Northern Fringe that in the main impacts the Estate's land. Our comments however relate to the allocation of land as Protected Green Space. Whilst the Estate wishes to retain and preserve the land in front of the drive to Antony House in agricultural use, we consider that allocating the whole of the two fields to the north of the allocation for development together with the existing Cricket field and field between the Cricket field and Goad Avenue will be too restrictive in the context of any further development that may be required at the end of the plan period. We therefore consider that for the purpose of this plan this designation should be removed.	06/03/2017	It is not intended to remove any car parking, car parking should at least be maintained in the town centre.	N.
4	28/02/2017	TOR/SS1	The Torpoint Allotments are currently erroneously included within the boundary of Thanckes Park. The allotments should be excluded from that area. We do not consider that the allotments should be shown as Protected Green Space. We think that there will be a benefit to Torpoint in the future if the Allotment offering was moved elsewhere, to somewhere with good access, facilities and parking. Once the allotments have been moved we consider the existing allotment land could then offer an alternative site for development for residential use, bringing residential development on the edge of the centre of Torpoint.	06/03/2017	Quarry Field, remove this from protected green space, it is intended to be agricultural land. Policy Note: to keep the agriculture intact and maintain the rural approach to the town on this site. Southern section of Quarry Field may be considered for development in the future.	Y
5	28/02/2017	APP/8 & TOR/SS8	We consider that the existing Trevol Business Park allows for the growth in employment space that will be required to serve the future expansion of Torpoint within this plan period. History has shown that there has been a slow take up of space since the Business Park grew out of the old HMS Fisgard. We do not consider that there is a need to safeguard more space in the area by including the former golf driving range to the north of the Business Park. We also consider that the development of the golf driving range site for Industrial Units will have a detrimental impact on the Registered Park and Garden of Antony House and the AONB. We consider that a more sensitively developed residentially led scheme may have less of an impact.	06/03/2017	Remove allotments from the designated green space currently shown as Thanckes Park. It is not planned to develop the allotments as they are protected under The Allotments Act 1925	Y
6	28/02/2017	TOR/SS5	the plan as it stands currently shows an illustrative footpath linking Goad Avenue to the cricket field by crossing the adjoining field. There is an existing footpath linking Goad Avenue to the Cricket field that we consider should continue to be used	06/03/2017	Q: Neal, amount of designated business floorspace at Trevol availability, with possibility of removing the "safeguarded land" from Trevol (P66/67)	Y
7	28/02/2017	APP4	The existing children's play park and field are the only green space in the great park area of Torpoint. These areas are well used, particularly by pre-school children, accompanied by their mothers, some of which have taken older children to - or collected them from junior school. The benches, despite being in a derelict condition, are often used by parents watching their children in the play park, and by more elderly persons resting after having walked from the town.	06/03/2017	Existing footpaths should suffice (P96/97); potential footpaths, do not pre define their exact location	Y
8	18/02/2017	Environment	The owners/occupiers backing on to the field between the play area and Sennen Close purchased their properties largely because of the open environment which currently exists. To build any type of buildings on that field would be showing a complete disregard for their environment and, since a number of the owner/occupiers are of limited mobility, could be subjected to bouts of claustrophobia and/or depression, leading to acute mental conditions.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
9	18/02/2017	Environment	To say that land has been "set-aside" for amenities is ridiculous since it is already in existence and well used, some upgrading would be much more cost effective measure.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
10	18/02/2017	Environment		06/03/2017	Designate play park area and green surrounding field at the rear of Sennen Close as green space (P104/105)	Y
11	18/02/2017	Environment		06/03/2017	Noted	

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12	18/02/2017	Environment	The area of the bridge over the culvert is regularly water logged by surface run-off. Such Run-off has been known to run over the bridge. To build above that area would worsen the run-off by reducing the area it runs off from. That would serve to worsen the water-logging and flooding. Probably affecting persons further downstream (i.e. Woodland Gardens) Particularly during periods of prolonged inclement weather.	06/03/2017	Any development would need to take into account water drainage and adequate proposals would be necessary.	N
13	18/02/2017	Employment	Few of the construction jobs will be local. Torpoint does not have many unemployed construction industry personnel. These jobs are likely to be filled by workers within a radius of some 40 miles. Some from much farther afield.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
14	18/02/2017	Employment	When construction is finished so are the construction jobs. Since a number of these jobs will have been filled by incomers, they will become unemployed, possibly homeless, and adding to the existing social/unemployment situation.	06/03/2017	No amendment necessary	N
15	18/02/2017	Employment	Jobs may well be provided by an additional supermarket. However 355 families would not be able to support a supermarket. That would probably result in one of the existing 2 supermarkets and their existing staff relocating to the new one. Any additional jobs would, therefore, be minimal and probably mostly part-time.	06/03/2017	An additional supermarket would keep local residents shopping locally and also attract residents from the Rame Peninsula to do likewise, re-inforcing Torpoint as the local shopping area for the community	N
16	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	It is reasonable to estimate that 355 new dwellings would mean an additional 300+ private vehicles.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
17	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	Torpoint Town can hardly cope with it's existing parking, so how will it cope with a mere 50 vehicles more trying to find parking spaces in the town?	06/03/2017	Car parking Harvey Street already identified SS2/3/4, Add in: car parking solutions are encouraged by developers and also in any other development opportunities,	Y
18	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	The existing public transport is inadequate for the Torpoint residents. City Bus management has persistently shown an almost complete indifference to our concerns - that attitude is unlikely to change, except for the worse.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
19	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	There is insufficient school places for the numbers of school age children that will occupy most of the 355 dwellings. Where will they be educated?	06/03/2017	Sufficient capacity within local schools for increased number of residents	N
20	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	It is not uncommon to have to wait 2 weeks for a Doctors appointment. Since 355 dwellings could equate to over 1000 new patients the situation could only worsen.	06/03/2017	Same day appointments are available, no additional requirements are identified	N
21	18/02/2017	Infrastructure	There is already discussions according to the National News, regarding disbanding PCSO's. How will the local constabulary cope with a potential rise in crime?	06/03/2017	Crime statistics will be monitored	N
22	18/02/2017	Wildlife	No mention of local wildlife, or habitat, is made of in the plan.	06/03/2017	A strategic environmental assessment may be required as part of the Neighbourhood plan adoption process	N
23	18/02/2017	Wildlife	There is not so much woodland that any of it can be lost. Any such loss would impact, not only on the year round wildlife, but also on migration birds. Such birds include Nuthatches, Wrens, Jays, Long Tailed Tits and Gold Finches.	06/03/2017	Green spaces and existing woodland have been identified for protection under the plan	N
24	18/02/2017	Wildlife	Last year (2015) a tree in which a Great Spotted Woodpecker had set up home was cut down.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
25	18/02/2017	Wildlife	Green Woodpeckers have also, on rare occasions, been seen.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
26	18/02/2017	Conservation	Conservation is a good thing in any community. Conservation for its own sake is not.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
27	18/02/2017	Conservation	Historic Buildings, whether the building itself, an architectural feature, an internal feature (i.e. Adams Fireplace) are also acceptable if they already exist.	06/03/2017	Noted, looking to maintain the architectural design/grid layout of the original plan of the lower end of town	N
28	18/02/2017	Conservation	Listed buildings put extra financial stress on their owners. It also makes the buildings more expensive to maintain in good order. It also, at additional expense, means the buildings owner requires special permission to make alterations - including the external decor.	06/03/2017	Noted, it is not intended to list additional buildings as part of the NDP	N
29	18/02/2017	Conservation	Think of the £1m that the ratepayers of Plymouth have to pay for the concrete & Steel eyesore that used to be the City council office.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
30	18/02/2017	Ambiguity	The plan on page 58 (the northern fringe) gives the impression that the green space (incl para 4 on wildlife above.) is to be included in the development. The above area on page 98/99 shows otherwise. Which is correct?	06/03/2017	P58/59 changes to be incorporated on these plans, should resolve any ambiguity	Y
31	18/02/2017	Ambiguity	Needless to say definite opinions/objections cannot be proffered without sight of the proposed site plans showing the actual buildings/roads layout	06/03/2017	All planning is subject to planning consultation	N
32	18/02/2017		If we have more retail we must have free parking!! (Perhaps on Saturdays)	06/03/2017	Not within the remit of the plan	N
33	18/02/2017		If we have the luxury of a swimming pool how will this be funded? (Swimming pools do not make a profit)	06/03/2017	Options exist including CIL money	N
34	18/02/2017		Ferry bigger	06/03/2017	Not within the remit of the plan	N
35	18/02/2017		Specify underground car parking for lower town developments.	06/03/2017	The provision of car parking will be encouraged as part of any future development	Y
36	14/02/2017		To build a trampoline park opposite Raleigh behind Penntorr Health	06/03/2017	This is a development opportunity and does not fall within the remit of the NDP	N
37	14/02/2017		Parking is a huge problem from the "park and ride" ferry commuters. I live in Wellington Street and park in Salamanca Road which gets "Parked out" by ferry commuters Monday to Friday. I would fully support residents parking permits.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
38	14/02/2017		Lovely ideas but as a resident of Sydney Road I feel we need to address the issue of our unmade road. If Thanckes Park is to be developed then this issue needs to be taken into account, plus Adela Road.	06/03/2017	Noted	N

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39	09/10/2017		I have a concern about the reduction of parking spaces in the town centre. Driving away shoppers and causing difficulties with parking in adjacent streets. A recycling centre along the lines of Saltash really like the waterfront walk. (with woodland walks could make a nice circuit.)	06/03/2017	Car parking to be encouraged. Recycling provision has been made in the provision of the Northern Fringe	N
40	09/10/2017		Greenery planting is a nice idea. Keen for a swimming pool & outdoor gym in Thanckes Park. Would prefer buildings rather than too much open space. Plaza seems ambitious as developer won't make any money.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
41	09/10/2017		The waterfront looks good. Happy to volunteer if needed. New homes - 4 beds would be good.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
42	09/10/2017		The Waterfront walk looks very good.	06/03/2017	Noted	N
43	09/10/2017		The northern fringe also looks good. 3-4 beds. Recycling Centre - skips located at Trevol	06/03/2017	Incorporated within the provision of the Northern Fringe	N
44	09/10/2017		More Parking Swimming Pool A Bank A supermarket	06/03/2017	Noted	N
The following responses were gathered as part of a consultation on the NDP at Torpoint Community School. Numbers in brackets following the feedback detail denotes the qty of responses suggested it.						
45	09/02/2017		Encourage more diverse shops (23 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
46	09/02/2017		Social hub - night club, vape bar. (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
47	09/02/2017		Social hubs - bingo, bridge (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
48	09/02/2017		More activities for youth (2 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
49	09/02/2017		Sheltered environment for youth (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
50	09/02/2017		Wider range of fitness facilities (2 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
51	09/02/2017		More and cleaner WC's (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
52	09/02/2017		Public football pitch. (3 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
53	09/02/2017		Public trampolines (7 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
54	09/02/2017		Cinema (5 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
55	09/02/2017		Swimming pool (19 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
56	09/02/2017		Fast food - Subway - McDonalds (20 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
57	09/02/2017		Bowling Alley (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
58	09/02/2017		improved skateboard park (15 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
59	09/02/2017		Improved play parks (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
60	09/02/2017		Improved tennis courts (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
61	09/02/2017		Art Gallery (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
62	09/02/2017		Improved green areas (3 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
63	09/02/2017		Save the bank (5 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
64	09/02/2017		Cycle paths (4 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
65	09/02/2017		Superstore (2 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
66	09/02/2017		local Wi-Fi (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
67	09/02/2017		Improved Post Office (3 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N
68	09/02/2017		Footpaths (1 off)	06/03/2017	Comments was considered and noted	N