Teignmouth Neighbourhood Plan

Draft Aims and Objectives, *for Community Consultation*

Notes:

We have taken into account the useful comments provided by the steering group on the draft aims and objectives. We have added in some objectives in red and taken comments into account in blue. In doing so we have tried not to re-invent or change what was developed by the group at the workshop session with Paul Weston but to build upon those discussions, evidence base and "weave in" the comments provided.

A Vision Statement should be agreed by the steering group which encapsulates the aims and objectives, prior to consultation.

		Housing
H1	**The rate of housing growth should be moderate and not put a strain on local infrastructure**	• Establish an appropriate growth and development rate for Teignmouth, within strategic context of the Local Plan • Ensure infrastructure capacity and needs are understood and appropriately addressed in good time
H2	**New housing provision should address Teignmouth's evidenced needs**	• Ensure new housing development addresses identified local needs from within the town and local affordability issues • Ensure locations for new housing development are those least harmful to the environment
H3	**The impact of new housing development on its location should be physically, aesthetically and socially beneficial**	• Promote housing design and layout that reflects the best of local character and distinctiveness, utilises local materials in a sustainable manner, through design guidance • New housing should contribute to creating diverse yet cohesive neighbourhoods

		Community Facilities and Services
C1	**Local community facilities should be sufficient in quantity and quality to continue to meet community needs**	• Enable community facilities to be multi-purpose, flexible and responsive to changing needs and demands
C2	**Opportunities for young people should be adequately addressed**	• Establish needs and preferences in dialogue with young people
C3	**Ensure the local provision of quality education opportunities for all**	• Facilitate provision of local education facilities • Support forward planning of education providers

		Sports and Recreation
S1	**Sports and recreation facilities should be sufficient in quantity and quality to meet evidenced community needs**	• Sports and recreation opportunities should remain responsive to the changing needs and demands of a varied demographic • Support the provision of accessible and affordable facilities

S2	Encourage recreational activity appropriate with the outstanding geographical location	• Promote development that encourages healthy lifestyles • Take full advantage of water-side locations • Support provision of a centre for water sports

		Tourism, Arts and Culture
A1	Arts and cultural projects should be welcomed and promoted	• Ensure developments are accessible and have a positive impact on community life
A2	Appropriate improvements and enhancements to tourism facilities should be welcomed and encouraged	• The Sea Front and its facilities are key assets that should be regularly refreshed and maintained
A3	Sustainable tourism development should be encouraged and actively pursued	• The provision of the Teign Cycle Trail should be prioritised • Support sustainable tourism-related development in appropriate locations

		Transport and Parking
T1	Sustainable transport modes should be encouraged and better facilitated	• Support enhancements to the public transport network • Improve accessibility to public transport services • Support infrastructure which enables an increased use of electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles • Improve and extend safe cycling routes • Review the junction between The Triangles, Regent Street, The Esplanade and Hollands Rd with a view to providing safe passage for pedestrians and improving links to Regent Street with the possible daytime pedestrianisation of Regent Street
T2	The traffic and parking implications of new development should be fully recognised and addressed	• Prioritise pedestrians and promote safety for all road users in new developments • Ensure adequate parking provision for new development
T3	More visitor parking should be provided	• Establish the most appropriate locations for visitor parking
T4	Measures to address traffic problems and their implications should be introduced	• Resolution of congestion and air quality issues from St Michaels to Shaldon Bridge should be a priority

		Economy and Employment
B1	Business development that is in keeping with and enhances the town's distinctiveness should be accommodated	• Facilitate an agreed economic development strategy for Teignmouth • Community enterprise should be supported
B2	Encourage development that offers good quality employment opportunities	• Support development within the high-tec and growth sectors within the context of an economic development strategy for the town • Promote development that provides more vocational and training opportunities

	Retail and the Town Centre	
R1	**The town centre must remain the commercial and social heart of the area**	• Support development in the interests of a diverse and flourishing town centre • Encourage and safeguard the retail function of the town centre • Encourage the positive use of the upper floors of shops and commercial premises
R2	**Continue to improve the appearance and amenity of the town centre**	• Establish a design code for shop fronts • Support measures to further enhance the public realm within the town centre

	Renewable and Low Carbon Energy	
E1	**New development proposals should prove their sustainability credentials**	• Promote energy efficiency, charging points for electric vehicles and appropriate micro-generation in new developments
E2	**Appropriate community-based renewable and low carbon energy initiatives are welcomed**	• Facilitate community-based renewable and low carbon energy initiatives • Establish appropriate local guidelines for development of renewable energy schemes

	Natural Environment	
N1	**The countryside and natural coastal and estuarine areas should be safeguarded from the impact of development or over-use**	• Identify the nature and extent of sensitive landscape, ecological and geological areas • Establish appropriate limitations on development and public access in the interest of protecting sensitive locations, priority species and bio-diversity
N2	**Strategic gaps between settlement areas should be recognised and protected**	• Identify important gaps between settlements • Establish suitable controls over development outside settlement areas
N3	**Public access to the countryside and coastline should be accommodated where it does not cause harm**	• Improve public accessibility to the countryside and coastline wherever it is appropriate to do so

	Built Environment	
B1	**The historic environment should be recognised and appropriately protected and enhanced**	• Identify local heritage assets • Ensure new development does not cause unnecessary harm to heritage assets
B2	**New development should have a beneficial impact on the character and sustainability of the area**	• A design guide for new development which sets out what we consider to be "high quality" design should be established • Encourage sustainable construction methods for all new development which encourages measures to reduce CO_2 emissions through low carbon energy generation and energy efficiency
B3	**Improve and maintain the public realm**	• Identify public spaces that need improvement or enhancement • Establish standards for public realm improvements

B4	**Local green spaces that contribute to the amenity of their local area should be protected**	• Identify sites suitable to be designated and protected as 'local green space'
B5	**Provide more green space, play areas, trees and community horticulture opportunities in residential areas**	• Encourage provision of useful green space in residential areas • Promote environmental enhancements in association with new development