



# Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan

*"Shaping our future together"*

September 2016

**"Have your say on the development of our community"**



## What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

Neighbourhood Planning (NP) was introduced in 2011 by the Coalition government to give local residents a greater say in the development of the area in which they live and or work. The plan will last for 15 to 20 years.

### **Our NP:**

- **should develop a vision for the Sid Valley**
- **should be an agreed, community-led framework to guide future development, land use, planning and conservation of the Sid Valley**

Once the plan is made, our NP will have legal force; planners and developers will be guided by it. The plan must be a reflection of the needs, desires and requirements of the community. Without a NP the community will have little control over the future of the Sid Valley and the new developments that will happen.

Influencing decisions today about development fit for the future.

Promoting positive development that protects the environment and the local economy.

Taking account of the housing, transport and service needs of everyone, young and old.



# The Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan

Welcome to this survey of Business And Special Interest Groups in the Sid Valley.

This survey is based on the **First Household Questionnaire**, the results of which have now been analysed and will be available to view on the Sidmouth Town Council website later in September.

We now seek the views of **your Business, Organisation, Association, Club or Special Interest Group** so we can ensure we have balanced input to support our goal, which after outside examination will lead to a successful referendum where the majority of voters agree to adopt the plan.

We invite comment and opinion about our current social, commercial and economic environment, and views on envisioning the Sid Valley as a dynamic, vibrant place to live and a year-round locale for tourism, culture, the arts, sports and events.

*Important: We encourage you to complete this survey from your commercial, organisational or group perspective, and if appropriate, respond from a collective point of view in consultation with your colleagues or members.*

*Confidentiality. Your answers will be held in strict confidence and will not be reported as named responses.*

*Any personal or contact information you provide will only be available to the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Group, and will not be used for commercial purposes.*

## HOW TO RETURN YOUR SURVEY RESPONSE

If you need further space to fill in your answers, please continue on a blank sheet and refer to the question number. Once complete, the Survey may be handed in or posted to:  
Sidmouth Town Council, Woolcombe House, Woolcombe Lane, Sidmouth EX10 9BB.

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## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

1. Have you previously returned the first Household Questionnaire as a resident of the Sid Valley?  
Please indicate below, (to assist us with our data analysis) and complete this questionnaire from the perspective of your business, association or group.

Yes, I previously returned the first Household Questionnaire

☐

No, I did not previously return the first Household Questionnaire

☐

2. To help us analyse your views, we need some information about your Business, Organisation or Group

Postcode:

3. Name of Business, Organisation or Group

4. Contact Name and position in Business, Organisation or Group (optional)

Name

Position

5. Contact Details (optional)

Email

Phone Number

# SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

6. Which of the following best describes the principal activity of your Business, Organisation or Group?

Advertising & Marketing

Agriculture

Airlines & Aerospace (including Defense)

Automotive

Business Support & Logistics

Construction, Machinery, and Homes

Education

Entertainment & Leisure

Environmental Maintenance/Preservation

Finance & Financial Services

Food & Beverages

Government

Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals

Hotels, Accommodation

Insurance

Leisure

Manufacturing

Nonprofit

Retail & Consumer Durables

Real Estate

Social Care and Welfare

Sports

Telecommunications, Technology, Internet & Electronics

Transportation & Delivery

Utilities, Energy, and Extraction

Volunteering/Charitable Services

Other

7. Type of Business, Organisation or Group:

PLC

Private Company

Franchisee

Partnership

Sole Trader

Home based business

Charity

Other

# SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

8. Time in Business / Years established:

0 - 2 years

☐

3 - 5 years

☐

6 - 10 years

☐

10-15 years

☐

20 years +

☐

9. Number of Employees:

Sole Trader

☐

1

☐

2 - 10

☐

11 - 49

☐

50+

☐

10. Number of Employees who are resident in Sid Vale:

0

☐

1

☐

2 - 10

☐

11 - 49

☐

50+

☐

11. Number of Volunteers:

0

☐

1

☐

2 - 10

☐

11 - 49

☐

50+

☐

12. Who are your target customers / clients / members?

Local shoppers / Service users (living within Sid Valley)

☐

Tourists, visitors, outside Sid Valley

☒

Internet / online

☐

Other

☐

13. About your Business, Organisation or Group:

Branch of a national / regional company

☐

Local company (Sid Valley)

☐

## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

14. Why did you establish your Business, Organisation or Group in the Sid Valley?

15. What are the advantages of the Sid Valley (Salcombe Regis, Sidbury, Sidford, Sidmouth) as a location for your Business, Organisation or Group?

## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

16. Are there limitations and/ or constraints facing your Business, Organisation or Group in the Sid Valley? If so, how might they be resolved?

17. In your view, what improvements/developments might enhance the economic and social environment for business in general in the Sid Valley in the next 15 years?

## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

**18. What opportunities for increasing economic or social viability and prosperity do you see for your Business, Organisation or Group in the Sid Valley in the next fifteen years?**

19. Please tick the boxes below that represent the topics that have the most impact on your business, organisation or group

(Please note: These questions are a repeat of the questions we asked in the First Household Questionnaire.)

- (a) Community assets and facilities
- (b) Environment/Protection of the countryside
- (c) Employment
- (d) Facilities and services for young people
- (e) Facilities and services for the retired
- (f) Health and care facilities
- (g) Heritage assets and conservation
- (h) Housing
- (i) Infrastructure (communications, water, sewage, power)
- (j) Leisure (allotments, parks, playing fields, green spaces, leisure facilities)
- (k) Renewable Energy
- (l) Schools and Childcare
- (m) Shopping
- (n) Transport (parking, traffic management, walking, cycling, driving)
- (o) Tourism



## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

20. This section is for you to provide comment on the topic(s) you selected in Question 19. For example, in what way the issue is important for your Business, Organisation or Group, what concerns you have, and what opportunities you see.

21. Are there any topics not listed in Question 19 that you would like to see included?

## SURVEY OF BUSINESS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

22. Analysis of responses from the First Household Questionnaire identified a number of local issues. We list those here, and invite you to indicate the impact that each has on your Business, Organisation or Group.

Please indicate your response from 1 to 5, where 1 is Very Negative, 3 is No impact, and 5 is Very Positive:

	1	2	3	4	5
Local Traffic Issues, Parking, Congestion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Communications, Broadband Speed, Mobile Phone Coverage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Beach Management and Coastal Erosion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Knowle Development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sidford Employment Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Port Royal and Eastern Town Redevelopment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. This section is for you to provide comment on the topic(s) you selected in Question 22. For example, in what way the issue is important for your Business, Organisation or Group, what concerns you have, and what opportunities you see.

*Thank you* for taking part in our survey



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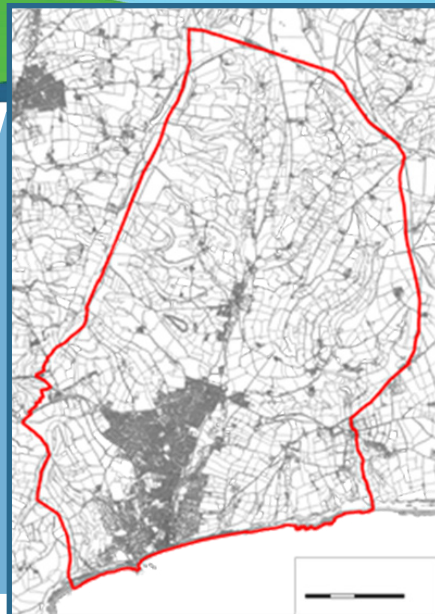
## THE SID VALLEY

The Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Boundary area agreed by the planning authority East Devon District Council includes the Sidmouth Town Council Wards of;

Salcombe Regis,

Sidbury,

Sidford and Sidmouth.



Our NP must comply with East Devon District Council's Local Plan and the government's wider National Planning Policy, which places great emphasis on "Sustainable Development". The current Local Plan adopted by East Devon District Council as the local planning authority is a strategic planning document. The local plan includes for the Sid Valley an Employment Site at Sidford, an additional 100 houses on allocated sites in the town, the regeneration of Port Royal and other ad hoc 'windfall' housing developments.

Having an NP in place which is based on community consultation and evidence, will help us to influence the type and nature of what is already in the Local Plan. Additionally, it will ensure that any further development is acceptable to the people of the Sid Valley, appropriate and meets their needs and aspirations.

More information about Neighbourhood Planning can be found on the Neighbourhood Plan page of Sidmouth Town Council website at : <http://www.sidmouth.gov.uk/index.php/neighbourhood-plan>

or via the Locality website at: <http://locality.org.uk/projects/building-community>

If you would like to be more involved in the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, the opportunity may exist to serve on the Steering Group, or to take part in upcoming Focus Groups that will focus on responses to this survey once they have been collected and analysed. Our email address is included below.

**The closing Date for this survey is Monday 31st October.**

You can follow our progress or contact us via the following:

Search: "Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan"

@sidvalleyplan

neighbourhood@sidmouth.gov.uk.

