

St. BUDEAUX

COMMUNITY PLANNING STUDY

**Issues and ideas from residents in
St.Budeaux Ward**



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Foreword by the Leader of Plymouth City Council

Plymouth City Council values the views and opinions of local people and businesses. The publication of Community Planning Studies for all 20 Wards in Plymouth, together with an overarching General Community Planning Study, represents the culmination of the most extensive planning public consultation exercise ever undertaken in the City. Innovative thinking, creative presentations, the use of community planning workshops, focus groups, school walkabouts, and other techniques have been a feature of Plymouth's Local Plan Review.

Before a Local Plan is prepared, the Government suggests Council's produce "Issues Papers" and consult local people about the broad direction of the plan. Plymouth has done more than this. Local people have been asked what they - not the City Council- think are the planning issues facing Plymouth and their individual neighbourhoods. This has been done by talking with local people directly, at accessible venues within their own communities. To date over 6,500 people have been consulted.

The City Council have raised awareness of the Local Plan, fostered a positive dialogue, and established an understanding of the planning dilemmas facing the City. Most importantly we have begun the process of identifying issues that local people want us to consider in preparing the plan and possible options for how Plymouth might meet its future needs.

Over the coming months we will continue to talk with local communities about these Community Planning Studies as we move towards the preparation of the Local Plan itself in 2001. On behalf of the City Council I commend these studies to all those groups and organisations that have an interest in making Plymouth a better place in which to live and work.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Nicholson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

Patrick Nicholson
Leader of Plymouth City Council

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How to Use the St. Budeaux Community Planning Study

We have tried to make this Community Planning Study easy to use and understand. The contents page is your best guide to finding your way around and locating the issues of particular interest to you. There is also a glossary on page 57 that helps to explain any technical terms and abbreviations that you may not be familiar with.

Some people will want to read through the whole study. However, if you just want to read certain bits please read the notes below – hopefully it will save you time!

How do I find out what has been said about places near where I live?

Your starting point should be the Residents Issues Map on page 38 and the Sites with Development Interest Map on page 45. On both maps there are numbers which mark particular sites. These numbers relate to information contained in the tables next to the maps. From the tables you can find where in the document to look for details of what was said about that site.

For example, if next to the number you are interested in it says refer to **HO03** and **TR23** you should look for the specific comments in the Housing and Transport sections of the Key Issues chapter.

Numbers contained on the Sites with Development Interest Map relate to information contained in Chapter 3 (Sites with Development Interest).

How do I find out about places outside St. Budeaux ward?

The St. Budeaux ward Community Planning Study deals only with comments made about this ward. If you are interested in comments that were made about other parts of Plymouth you should look in the Community Planning Study for that area. Look at the Ward Map in the Introduction to help you. Copies of all the Community Planning Studies can be found in the Central Library, the foyer of the Civic Centre and the reception at Windsor House. They are also available on the Internet (www.plymouth.gov.uk).

Where do I find general comments that don't relate to a specific area of Plymouth?

These are all in the Plymouth General Community Planning Study. This contains comments and information that is relevant to all, or large parts of the city, rather than a specific ward or location. The General Community Planning Study is available at all of the city's libraries.

Remember if you need any further help ring your Community Planning Study contact. Details are on page 6.

Setting the Scene

Plymouth City Council is currently reviewing the City's Local Plan. It is the key document for guiding where new development takes place and how land is used. The existing Local Plan covers the period 1991-2001. The new one will cover the period 2001-2011.

Since July 1998 the City Council has been consulting local people, groups and organisations on issues that need to be considered in the review of the Local Plan. It has done this through a range of consultation initiatives including the Community Planning Studies, the Major Landowner Consultation and the Pathfinder Strategy and Action Plan. This has allowed various groups to participate at the earliest stages of the Local Plan Review so that they are fully involved in decisions about the possible pattern of development in their areas.

A series of papers are being produced that highlight issues raised by local people and various groups. They identify possible options for the future development of Plymouth. The papers also provide initial feedback on the issues raised and on other key matters that need to be considered in the Local Plan Review. These are being published to provide an opportunity for further comment prior to the new Local Plan being placed on deposit in March 2001.

The issues papers that the Council has produced are listed below:

➤ **“The New Plan for Plymouth: A Consultation Paper on the 2020 Vision for Plymouth and the City's Planning Strategy”, July 2000.**

This identifies the key aims, objectives, and the broad planning strategy of the Local Plan. It also proposes measures against which success of the Local Plan can be assessed.

➤ **“General Community Planning Study”, July 2000.**

This highlights the general city-wide issues raised by local people. It also contains factual information about the Community Planning Study programme, including the consultation and publicity arrangements undertaken by the City Council.

➤ **“Ward Community Planning Studies”, July 2000.**

These highlight key issues raised through the consultation programme and provide other information relevant to the planning of various areas of the City. They set options for the development of various sites put forward by local people and major landowners.

The City Council now welcomes further comment from all interested parties on the issues papers. Comments should be made in writing using the questionnaires included in each publication.

1. Introduction

What is the Local Plan?

Plymouth currently has a Local Plan that expires in 2001. This Plan is now under review. The Local Plan sets out how land should be used in the City and policies on how to deal with planning applications. The new plan will provide a vision for Plymouth over a 10-year period. The policies aim to make Plymouth an even better place in which to live; to improve its environment; to increase job opportunities; to improve housing; and to improve leisure and transport opportunities.

The Local Plan is a statutory document. Planning applications submitted to the City Council will be decided, by law, in accordance with what it says. It is therefore a very important document for the future of Plymouth.

What are the Community Planning Studies?

In the summer of 1998 Plymouth City Council took its first steps on a very far-reaching and comprehensive Local Plan Review consultation programme. This was not an easy process. By its very nature the Local Plan can be a difficult and daunting document to consult on. However, without a thorough input from the public the Local Plan could not reflect the community's wishes, nor build on people's vast knowledge of their local areas. Moreover, the Council could not develop a new Local Plan based on partnership, rather than one based on conflict.

The Council developed original and innovative methods of consultation to ensure that, from the earliest stage, everybody, including traditionally hard to reach sectors of the population, had the chance to meaningfully input into the city's Local Plan. All the comments made are being compiled into ward-based documents, to be called Community Planning Studies.

Specifically the Community Planning Studies tried to meet the key strategic objectives of the Local Plan Consultation Strategy, which are as follows:

- To maximise **awareness** of the importance of the Local Plan in Plymouth's communities.
- To tap into the vast amount of **knowledge** that local people, groups and organisations (referred to as *stakeholders*) have about the city, to ensure that the Plan is based on sound *information*.
- To actively seek wide **involvement** from all sectors of the community and stakeholders in the preparation of the Local Plan Review.
- To provide **opportunity** for all people and other stakeholders to put forward their views.

Details of the different events held in the ward are outlined in Chapter 5.

You are reading the St. Budeaux Community Planning Study. This study is a summary of all the issues raised by local people about St. Budeaux ward and will be one of the most important documents that will be used to write the Local Plan. The Community Planning Study is not the Local Plan for St. Budeaux ward, but it identifies all the issues raised during the consultation process and sets out how the comments will be considered in the Local Plan.

2. Key Issues

What People said were the Best and Worst Things about St. Budeaux

The Best Things about St. Budeaux

What You Said	Number of Responses
Green and open areas in the area provide good wildlife areas and amenity space and should be protected.	11
Views of and over the River Tamar are important to.	7
Good selection of small shops.	6
The area has a tight knit community.	4
Good public transport systems - buses.	3
Housing available at reasonable prices.	3
High quality of educational establishments.	2
Meadows at the top of Barne Barton are lovely and should be retained.	1
The river and its banks are important as play areas and as wildlife habitats, especially at the Hamoaze end where the water is cleaner.	1
Picturesque views.	1

The school workshops in the area identified many good things about the ward, which are responded to in the issues/responses later in the Study.

The Worst Things about St. Budeaux

What You Said	Number of Responses
Lack of informal/ community facilities for youths aged 10+.	8
Lack of shops in Barne Barton.	7
Inadequate bus services to central areas from Barne Barton.	5
Lack sports facilities, all weather pitch needed.	4
Restricted access to Ministry Of Defence areas.	3
Broken Glass and Graffiti at play parks.	2
Low incomes/benefit levels of high proportion of residents.	2
Speeding cars.	2
St Budeaux appears to be run down and shabby.	2
Dog mess in public areas.	2
High rates of juvenile crime.	1
Lack of full time jobs in the St Budeaux area.	1
Quality of life reduced by lack of amenities/employment opportunities.	1
Health Centre too far away and overstretched by the number of patients- need more localised clinics.	1
Parking congestion at Saltash Passage: should explore possibility of one way.	1

The school workshops in the area identified the following worst things about the ward:

- Lack of part time jobs for children.
- Lack of tourist facilities.
- Pavements in poor condition after Eurobell works.
- Congestion of roads at commuter times.
- Smells from the creek (Weston Mill, Camels Head and Dockyard).
- Lack of cycle routes.
- Lack of low rent housing near St Budeaux Sq.
- Smells from Ernesettle water treatment plant, concern that expanded capacity of the plant will mean more smell.
- Expensive bus fares into City Centre.
- Speeding cars on many roads.
- Intimidation from older children on younger children, in play areas.
- Much of Barne Barton is dull and needs brightening up.
- Rubbish dumping in the creek causes smells and attracts rats.
- Poor equipment in schools.
- No swimming pool in St Budeaux area.

What did People say about.....?

Community

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>CO01. It was suggested that Alexandra House should be used to accommodate single parent families and as a support centre for single parent families.</p>	<p>At present the property is used to provide support facilities for naval families. The retention of such community facilities is supported by the current Local Plan (Policy ACR11). However the issue of widening community access to this facility would be beyond the scope of the planning system.</p>
<p>CO02. The Barn Community centre is good for hanging out.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>CO03. Harbourside Youth Centre needs more investment. It should have steady funding rather than fluctuating finance.</p>	<p>This matter has been referred to the Head of Heritage and Leisure for consideration.</p>
<p>CO04. Support should be given to the Kinterbury Square project: (a mixed community/retail/housing/employment project).</p>	<p>Preliminary discussions have taken place regarding the production of a Planning Brief to guide development at Kinterbury Square. The land use implications will be considered and incorporated into the Local Plan Review.</p>

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>CO05. Play schemes are required to keep kids off the streets.</p>	<p>The Local Plan will include policies to support the provision of new community centres/facilities where a need is identified. Further work is required to identify the current level and standard of community facilities provided throughout the city and the need for new facilities (including site specific proposals).</p>
<p>CO06. Improved community facilities are required for youths in the St Budeaux area. It was suggested that lit bus shelters be provided in places such as Chard Road adjacent to the Surgery, or at Victoria snooker hall.</p>	<p>See response to CO05. There are potential noise and disturbance problems arising from the suggestion to provide bus shelters as outdoor meeting places, but they are being introduced in parts of the City. This suggestion has been referred to the Head of Heritage and Leisure for consideration.</p>
<p>CO07. The area has a close knit community.</p>	<p>Noted. It is recognised that a good sense of community contributes to a general feeling of well being. The Local Plan Review will seek to support the provision of new community facilities provided they are appropriately located.</p>
<p>CO08. There is a need for more after-school clubs and social meeting places in the locality, for example mothers/toddlers.</p>	<p>See response to CO05.</p>
<p>CO09. Low income levels mean that leisure facilities are needed in the locality in order not to pay for travel. This also limits the ability to pay for entry to attractions and leads to youths hanging around.</p>	<p>See response to CO05.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>CO10. Fear caused by youths hanging around in the ward restricts some peoples' activity.</p>	<p>Noted. It is an issue that is frequently raised in relation to policing. Action may be taken if youths cause a civil nuisance, but no action can be taken if no crime is committed. Each area of Plymouth has a dedicated team of Police officers with problem solving skills, who, often in partnership with the Council and other groups and agencies, try to overcome concerns that the public raise. The officer in charge of the team covering St Budeaux ward is PS Watson. S/he has been forwarded a list of the comments raised in St Budeaux. S/he can be contacted on) 01752 350508/ or 350622 if you would like to discuss a matter relating to the ward.</p> <p>The Police Authority has its own duty to consult with the public and produce a Policing plan. Every quarter in the Plymouth area the Police Authority holds a consultation meeting where the public can raise issues. For information about the next meeting please telephone: 01392 438781.</p>
<p>CO11. An increased police presence in the area is needed.</p>	<p>See response to CO10.</p>
<p>CO12. There is concern about low incomes and high rates of benefit claimants in the St Budeaux area.</p>	<p>There are a number of City-wide and area based initiatives aimed at reducing unemployment.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>CO13. There are problems of intimidation, of young children by older children.</p>	<p>This is a problem being addressed by the local schools and community workers.</p>
<p>CO14. A parent curfew should be imposed to stop children hanging around.</p>	<p>Various initiatives to prevent youth crime are being considered by the Police.</p>
<p>CO15. There is concern about the high rates of juvenile crime in the St Budeaux area.</p>	<p>This is a matter being addressed by the Police.</p>

Education

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>ED01. Better equipment is required in local schools.</p>	<p>This matter can only be addressed by the Lifelong Learning Service with regard to a specific school, rather than as a general comment.</p>
<p>ED02. Local schools are regarded as being of a high standard.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

Employment

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EM01. Lack of jobs tend to contribute to high rates of juvenile crime in the area.</p>	<p>The City Council is seeking to improve job opportunities for young people, including through the provision of specific youth training programmes. This is being carried out in partnership with other relevant organisations and agencies.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EM02. There is a lack of part time jobs for children in the area.</p>	<p>This is a matter for local employers.</p>
<p>EM03. Full time employment opportunities in the St Budeaux area should be improved.</p>	<p>The City Council is seeking to improve job opportunities throughout the city, especially in areas of high unemployment, through a range of training and employment programmes and initiatives.</p>

Environment

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN01. Children frequently play in the environs of Kinterbury Creek. The creek should be protected and cleaned up. It was stated that swans used to nest here.</p>	<p>Policy AEV7 from the current Local Plan applies to this land. The creek is designated as a Site of Local Importance for Nature Conservation (SLINC). Improving waterside access and community use of such areas is being considered in the "Greenscape Assessment" currently being undertaken by the City Council. The City Council's Coastal Officer has developed a Marine Litter Abatement Strategy that includes an annual clean up. Community groups wishing to participate or requiring further details should contact the Coastal Officer on 01752 304339.</p>
<p>EN02. Blacky Woods is a good area for children to play and for wildlife. The land along the railway track backing onto the dockyard area needs to be protected.</p>	<p>The land is designated in the current Local Plan as a site of Local Nature Conservation Value. This comment will be taken into account in the review of the Local Plan.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN03. The woodland area west of Foulston Avenue requires protection and is an important habitat for wildlife.</p>	<p>This land is allocated for housing in the current Local Plan (Proposal AHR1.14). This comment will be considered by the City Council's Nature Conservation Officer as part of the Local Plan Review. The City Council is currently undertaking a 'Greenscape Assessment' for the whole of the city. This comment will be fed into this process. The results of the assessment will enable the City Council to consider the need and level of protection for green spaces through the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>EN04. There is concern about dumped car rubbish in Kelly Close.</p>	<p>Rubbish dumping/fly tipping in public areas is an offence. Anyone concerned about this sort of activity should take a note of the vehicle with the date, time, and location together with the materials dumped and report this to the City Council on 01752 304147.</p>
<p>EN05. There are problems with the smell from the creek and Kinterbury sewerage plant.</p>	<p>South West Water's Waste Water Engineer has confirmed that there is no such plant at this location. The smell is probably due to the tidal mud, which will inevitably smell from time to time.</p>
<p>EN06. The area rear of Barne Barton Primary school is important for wildlife.</p>	<p>Noted. This site does not have a nature conservation designation at present. However this comment has been referred to the Council's Nature Conservation Officer for consideration as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN07. The big field near the pavilion off Foulston Avenue is good for grasshoppers and grasses.</p>	<p>Noted. This site does not have a nature conservation designation at present. However this comment has been referred to the Council's Nature Conservation Officer for consideration as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>EN08. The woods above Kinterbury House are good for wildlife and playing on rope swings.</p>	<p>See response to EN07.</p>
<p>EN09. Barne Barton is dull and needs brightening up.</p>	<p>Investment by landowners, such as housing associations, in the refurbishment of properties and landscaping is on going in the Barne Barton area. There has been investment in the Barn Community Centre and there is a possibility of a redevelopment scheme coming forward for Kinterbury Square.</p>
<p>EN10. The meadows at the top of Barne Barton should be retained.</p>	<p>The exact location of the meadows referred to is unclear. The City Council is currently undertaking a 'Greenscape Assessment' for the whole of the city. This comment will be fed into this process. The results of the assessment will enable the City Council to consider the need and level of protection for green spaces through the Local Plan Review.</p>

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What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN11. The views of and over the River Tamar are important to St Budeaux residents.</p>	<p>Existing Local Plan Policy AEV31 (Townscape) seeks to protect important local views. The review of this policy will take this comment into account. In addition the City Council is currently working on a Greenscape Assessment which is looking at key local views in the city, in preparation for the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>EN12. There is a need to protect remaining areas of green space in the St Budeaux area to protect wildlife and as amenity space.</p>	<p>The City Council is currently undertaking a 'Greenscape Assessment' for the whole of the city. This comment will be fed into this process. The results of the assessment will enable the City Council to consider the need and level of protection for green spaces through the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>EN13. The grassed area below the car park by the Tamar Bridge should be vacated after building works cease and facilities put in place to deal with dog dirt.</p>	<p>Planning permission 1094/98 has a condition requiring removal of the compound and the reinstatement of landscaping. The Council is increasing the number of dog bins as finance allows. This particular comment has been referred to Environmental Services and the Head of Street Services for their consideration.</p>
<p>EN14. The grassy banks overlooking Saltash are good for slow worms, butterflies and flowers.</p>	<p>Noted. This comment has been referred to the Council's Nature Conservation Officer for consideration as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN15. St Budeaux appears run down and shabby.</p>	<p>There is a possibility of retail investment in the District shopping Centre. The City Council will seek to encourage investment in environmental improvement in the St Budeaux area where funding becomes available.</p>
<p>EN16. There is a problem of noise associated with licensed premises kick out times and yacht club masts in Saltash Passage.</p>	<p>The topography of Saltash Passage means that the local environment is noise sensitive. Complaints about noise in this area have not been reported to the Council's Environmental Health Officers. Given the riverside nature of the location and the longstanding position of the sailing club, a degree of noise from yacht masts is to be expected.</p>
<p>EN17. There is concern about dog dirt in public areas.</p>	<p>Owners who allow their dogs to foul public areas are acting irresponsibly and the Council is aware of the hazard and nuisance it causes. The Council has a number of initiatives to reduce this problem including education and persuasion and where appropriate prosecution. There has also been the development of dog free areas in parks and the introduction of dog bins. In the light of the number of comments received regarding this matter it will be necessary for cross Council discussions to look at the most effective ways of further reducing this problem.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN18. Views over the nuclear end of the Dockyard are undesirable.</p>	<p>Noted. However the views over the Dockyard provoke differing opinions. In this consultation exercise this issue has only drawn one complaint. Concern over views needs to be balanced with the employment advantages offered by the dockyard area.</p>
<p>EN19. Where subsidence repair is undertaken this should be properly landscaped to look less stark.</p>	<p>If such works require planning permission (unlike for example permitted works by Highway Authorities over which the Local Planning Authority has no control) landscaping conditions would usually be applied to soften the impact of the works.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN20. Street cleaning in the area should be given higher priority.</p>	<p>Street cleaning operations cost the charge payers of the city £1.7 million a year. The Council tries to encourage more responsible behaviour through education and persuasion including, where necessary, contacting persistent offenders. Litter comes from numerous sources. However, a major problem has been rubbish coming from split bin bags. The introduction of the twin bin domestic refuse collection programme has helped to reduce this.</p> <p>It is clear from the number of comments received that street cleanliness is a priority for many residents. The Council is continually seeking ways to improve street cleanliness and has run several pilot programmes in recent years. In respect to planning and design, the planning service will look at ways of encouraging new developments which make refuse collection and cleaning easier. We are always grateful for specific comments and suggestions on making the city cleaner. The Council's Tidy Plymouth Development Officer can be contacted on 01752 307874.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>EN21. There is concern about restricted access to Ministry Of Defence areas.</p>	<p>Access arrangements imposed by landowners cannot be controlled by the Council, and large areas of Ministry Of Defence land are restricted for national security reasons.</p>
<p>EN22. People are concerned about vandalism in the area.</p>	<p>See response to CO10.</p>
<p>EN23. The public toilets in St Budeaux are smelly.</p>	<p>The Council's unattended public toilets are cleaned daily.</p>

Health

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our response
<p>HE01. Health services are too far from Barne Barton and over-stretched by too many patients. There is a need for more localised clinics.</p>	<p>This issue has been raised with the South and West Devon Health Authority.</p>

Housing

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>HO01. The Housing allocation site at Bull Point (Proposal AHR1.14) should be reduced and a housing site allocated at Kinterbury Square.</p>	<p>Suggested amendments to this housing allocation site will be considered as part of the Local Plan Review, as will the idea of Kinterbury Square as a new site of housing/mixed development.</p>
<p>HO02. There are concerns about the quality of the housing stock in Haydon Grove and Reynolds Grove.</p>	<p>This matter has been referred to the Head of Housing for consideration.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>HO03. Existing empty accommodation in Roberts Road, Barne Barton should be used.</p>	<p>These properties are under-occupied at present. Discussions are taking place regarding the long-term management/ownership of these properties with the Defence Housing Executive. However the City Council does not have control over the use of these properties.</p>

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What You Said	Our Response
<p>HO04. Use of existing surplus commercial buildings, particularly at upper levels, should be considered.</p>	<p>The City Council has to consider the economic future of the city. In addition to its housing needs the Local Plan will examine this issue, and will consider modifying existing employment policies in respect of conversions to housing, especially with regard to sites in or close to the city centre.</p>
<p>HO05. More effective use should be made of the existing vacant housing stock.</p>	<p>The City Council operates an Empty Homes Strategy that delivers approximately 150 homes a year back into use. In addition there is evidence to suggest that with a more buoyant housing market that the numbers of empty homes are likely to fall. However the City Council will look very carefully at the role empty properties can play in meeting future housing needs.</p>
<p>HO06. Create more residential accommodation above shops.</p>	<p>This policy will be considered in the Local Plan Review.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>HO07. There is a need to provide more 'wardened' accommodation in the area.</p>	<p>The City Council has commissioned a Housing Needs Survey which will identify gaps and opportunities in housing supply and demand. It is likely that this, together with recent changes in Government housing guidance, will enable Local Authorities to exercise a greater degree of control over house type and tenure to meet identified needs.</p>
<p>HO08. There is a lack of low rent housing in the St Budeaux area.</p>	<p>See response to HO07.</p>
<p>HO09. Development should be allowed on the area's "brownfield" sites.</p>	<p>These sites will be given top priority for redevelopment. However a number of other factors must also be considered in assessing the potential of such sites which will be considered as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>HO10. More housing is required in the area for the elderly.</p>	<p>See response to HO07.</p>

Leisure

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE01. Widespread support was given to the E2000 proposals for a circular nature trail route around the Barne Barton peninsula. The relationship of Proposal AHR1.14 of the existing Local Plan to the route was queried. It was suggested that the proposed E2000 nature trail route be marked as a proposal on the Local Plan map.</p>	<p>The E2000 project has at present been denied public access to particular sections of the Ministry Of Defence land through which the route would pass. However discussions are on going regarding possible access to this land in the future. Under these circumstances it is difficult to make firm indications for the intended route of the nature trail. As part of the Local Plan Review consideration will be given to the project, with reference to the site-specific considerations of housing allocation AHR1.14. The project will also be considered alongside the development of a network of recreation routes as part of the Greenscape Strategy.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE02. The play area west of Warburton Gardens has an uneven and unlit path. Is it possible that this could be resurfaced following the Remote Ammunitioning Facility Tamar (RAFT) construction work?</p>	<p>The Ministry Of Defence 18/84 consultation, regarding the Remote Ammunitioning Facility Tamar (RAFT) project, has already been determined by the Local Planning Authority. As such it is too late for negotiations to take place on this matter. However in discussion with the Defence Estates organisation about this issue they have confirmed that the RAFT project will not impact on this land. The land is leased by the City Council and this comment has been referred to the Head of Heritage and Leisure Services for consideration.</p>
<p>LE03. In the Grove, Barne Barton children skate on the road at quiet times.</p>	<p>A pilot project (Home Zone) which aims to prioritise streets for use mainly by pedestrians, with the car as a visitor, is currently underway elsewhere in Plymouth. Depending on the outcome of such projects further Home Zones may be created which would make residential streets safer places to play.</p>
<p>LE04. The play park off Ark Royal Close is too dark. It needs lighting to encourage better use.</p>	<p>This matter has been referred to the Head of Heritage and Leisure Services for their consideration.</p>
<p>LE05. Furze park is good for meeting up with other kids.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>LE06. Barne Park has good play equipment and dog dirt bins.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE07. The little park near Kiln Close is good for small children.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>LE08. The park off Old School Road has good swings and is better for older children.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>LE09. There is a good play area at end of Warburton Gardens.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>LE10. There is concern about the tarmac surface in the Haydon Grove play area being potentially dangerous in the event of a fall.</p>	<p>All new play equipment installed by the City Council meets British Standards and is regularly inspected. There is also an annual independent inspection to highlight any improvements necessary. However this matter has been referred to the Head of Heritage and Leisure Services for consideration.</p>
<p>LE11. Kelly Close has a good pitch for football and cricket.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE12. The bowling green at St Budeaux is peaceful.</p>	<p>Noted. The importance of providing a wide range of leisure facilities is recognised in the adopted Local Plan.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE13. The grassed area around and beneath the Tamar Bridge should be enhanced to provide walking areas.</p>	<p>An interpretation board is due to be installed near the Tamar Bridge car park. Also the completion of pedestrian links across the bridge will provide access to Saltash walking areas such as Saltmill Creek. A link between the upper and lower grassed areas on the Plymouth side would be difficult because of narrowness of Normandy Hill, although a steep footpath link does already exist. This comment will be considered as part of the Greenscape Strategy.</p>
<p>LE14. Has a community sports facility been provided in Kings Tamerton (possibly at Tamarside School)?</p>	<p>There is a community sports facility at Tamarside School, which is available for use outside of school hours.</p>
<p>LE15. The river and its banks provide important play areas.</p>	<p>The City Council is currently undertaking a 'Greenscape Assessment' for the whole of the city. This comment will be fed into this process. The results of the assessment will enable the City Council to consider the need and level of protection for green spaces through the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>LE16. The lack of a swimming pool in the area caused concern particularly to children.</p>	<p>The Council will be assessing the future need for any more pools in Plymouth through the Local Plan Review. This will be based on the Facilities Planning Model prepared by the sporting advice body, Sport England. Community comments will be given consideration in the light of these findings.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>LE17. There is concern about broken glass and graffiti at play parks in the area.</p>	<p>Play areas are subject to regular inspections, but any issues of this nature should be reported immediately to the City Council's Parks and Amenities Manager on 01752 307031.</p>
<p>LE18. The area needs an all weather sports facility.</p>	<p>This matter will be considered in the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>LE19. Reduce entry prices of attraction for Plymouth residents.</p>	<p>The City Council run facilities often have reduced prices for Plymcard holders.</p>
<p>LE20. Children should be stopped from playing football in the street.</p>	<p>The City Council is currently undertaking a detailed survey of play area provision in the city. There is also an annual safety audit undertaken for all play areas. This information will be used to prioritise spending in coming years for Council owned play areas. It will also enable the City Council to negotiate with developers where new play areas are needed or improvements required as part of new development proposals. Other initiatives such as Home Zones (see LE03) may have a role to play in tackling this issue.</p>

Minerals

What You Said	Our Response
<p>No Minerals issues raised.</p>	<p>Minerals policies will need to be included in the Local Plan.</p>

Shopping

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>SH01. There is a lack of retail facilities in Barne Barton and residents complain of the long distances that they have to go to access shops and other facilities.</p>	<p>The City Council is aware of this issue, and is currently in discussion about possible development opportunities at Barne Barton. Proposals will need to be brought forward through the Local Plan Review.</p>

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>SH02. There are good shopping facilities at St Budeaux Square.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>SH03. The supermarket facilities in St Budeaux should be retained and expanded.</p>	<p>A Planning Application (98/1144) has been submitted by Plymco to build a larger supermarket, by redeveloping the site of its existing shop, together with the adjacent church and library premises. This application has been reported to the Planning Committee, which indicated support in principle for the proposals, but requested that further negotiations be conducted on a number of outstanding matters. As such this application has not yet been determined.</p>
<p>SH04. There is concern about the Coop's monopoly in St Budeaux.</p>	<p>Competition issues are not matters over which the City Council has any influence or control.</p>
<p>SH05. Lower shop rents are required in order to encourage competition.</p>	<p>Shop rents are determined by landlords in response to market demand. (There are no shops in the St Budeaux area owned/managed by the City Council.)</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>SH06. A better range of shops is required in St Budeaux.</p>	<p>The range of shops within centres is a commercial issue, and is determined by a number of factors, including the characteristics of the local population.</p>

Tourism

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our response
<p>TO01. There is a lack of tourist facilities in the area.</p>	<p>Most of the City's tourist facilities are located in the Hoe/Barbican areas because of the area's history and waterfront location. It is questionable whether St Budeaux would be a viable location for any large-scale tourist facilities.</p>

Transport

Barne Barton

What You Said	Our Response
<p>TR01. Bus Services to Barne Barton are inadequate. Also, there is no direct bus route into City Centre.</p>	<p>The City Council has a limited budget through which it subsidises additional bus routes to meet a variety of needs not met by the bus companies. Once this budget is fully committed provision of additional routes is a commercial decision taken by the private bus companies.</p>
<p>TR02. Cars turning from Scott Avenue to Barne Road sweep around the corner too fast.</p>	<p>The Transport strategy is seeking to bring forward a number of traffic calming schemes in residential areas of the City. The City Council has a long-term objective to treat all residential areas with traffic calming or 20 m.p.h. zone status.</p>

St Budeaux

What You Said	Our Response
<p>TR03. Wolesley Road, Pemros Road and Poole Park Road are difficult to cross and need pedestrian crossings.</p>	<p>This request will be added to the extensive list of requests to be considered for implementation in accordance with specific criteria.</p>
<p>TR04. Speed cameras are required in St Budeaux Square.</p>	<p>Speed reduction schemes for Victoria Road are to be investigated further by Transport Services. However speed cameras are only used to address problems at locations where there are high numbers of accidents.</p>
<p>TR05. Problems with traffic speeds were highlighted. (Concerns voiced particularly by school children).</p>	<p>The City Council has a long-term objective to treat all residential areas with traffic calming or 20 m.p.h. zone status.</p>
<p>TR06. The lack of cycle routes in the area was a concern to some children.</p>	<p>The Transport strategy seeks to provide alternatives to motor-vehicles and thus reduce the volume of motor traffic on the City's roads. Investment in cycleways is currently focussed on completing full routes along the major radial routes into the City. Once complete intermediate routes can be pursued.</p>
<p>TR07. The cost of bus fares are too high for both adults and children.</p>	<p>Bus fares are determined by the private bus companies in accordance with commercial requirements.</p>
<p>TR08. The hourly bus service to Saltash Passage stops too early (5.15pm). It needs increased investment and to be cheaper.</p>	<p>The City Council has a limited budget through which it subsidises additional bus routes to meet a variety of needs not met by the bus companies. Once this budget is fully committed provision of additional routes is a commercial decision taken by the private bus companies.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>TR09. Better enforcement is required for parking in bus bays.</p>	<p>The enforcement issue needs to be addressed if it affects public transport operations. Once decriminalised parking is introduced the City Council will have greater control over the enforcement of parking restrictions and will be able to target enforcement resources at appropriate locations.</p>
<p>TR10. Car speeds need to be reduced.</p>	<p>Speed reduction and traffic calming schemes are being considered by the City Council in many residential areas throughout the City and prioritised according to the severity of the local conditions.</p>
<p>TR11. Cheaper bus passes are required for families resident in Plymouth.</p>	<p>See response to TR07.</p>
<p>TR12. The free bus service to Saltash should be kept after the bridge works are complete.</p>	<p>It would be difficult to continue to fund a free service indefinitely. After completion of the works the bus fares and routes would normally be determined by the private bus companies, in accordance with commercial requirements.</p>
<p>TR13. There is a problem of noise from traffic in Saltash Passage. A suggestion for a one-way system at Saltash Passage was made.</p>	<p>The introduction of one-way systems can result in significant increases in traffic speeds unless accompanied by significant and expensive traffic calming.</p>
<p>TR14. Parking areas at Saltash Passage are always full. There is a need for short term parking restrictions (or for the existing restrictions to be properly enforced).</p>	<p>See response to TR09.</p>

What You Said	Our Response
<p>TR15. There is excessive parking on roads at Saltash Passage. This reduces the road width and causes difficulties for emergency vehicles and buses.</p>	<p>See response to TR09.</p>
<p>TR16. Better provision should be made for motorcycles and motorcycle parking.</p>	<p>Discussions are being held with motorcycle groups to establish needs. Where appropriate a programme of works will be implemented, subject to funding.</p>
<p>TR17. There should be integrated bus ticketing to encourage more use of buses.</p>	<p>The City Council is keen to see an integrated approach to ticketing between all of the private companies providing public transport. Some success has already been achieved in different parts of the City.</p>
<p>TR18. A road crossing is required on Victoria Road from the shops to the Library.</p>	<p>See response to TR03.</p>
<p>TR19. The pedestrianisation scheme around Percy Street would be impractical.</p>	<p>The current Local Plan indicates that the St Budeaux District shopping centre should be environmentally enhanced including pedestrianisation (Proposal ASR9). This comment will be taken into account as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>TR20. A footbridge is needed across Mowhay to Ham ward as part of footpath link investment. (This comment came from the Budshead Community Planning Study).</p>	<p>There would be significant funding implications for this proposal. The suggestion has been forwarded to Transport Services for consideration and this request will be added to the extensive list of requests to be considered for implementation in accordance with specific criteria.</p>

Waste

What You Said	Our Response
No Waste issues raised.	Waste policies will need to be included in the Local Plan Review.

General

What You Said	Our Response
<p>GE01. People's quality of life is reduced by the lack of amenities and employment opportunities in the area.</p>	<p>There are a number of City-wide and area based initiatives aimed at reducing unemployment. The Local Plan Review will look at ways of increasing local amenities.</p>
<p>GE02. The 'PL5' area has a poor reputation.</p>	<p>The City Council will pursue regeneration initiatives wherever possible in order to address this problem.</p>

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Map Code	Location	Response and Comment Reference
1	Kinterbury Creek.	EN01.
2	Barne Barton (circular pedestrian route).	LE01.
3	Bull Point.	HO01.
4	Woodland west of Foulston Avenue.	EN03.
5	Woods above Kinterbury House.	EN08.
6	The big field near the pavilion off Foulston Avenue.	EN07.
7	Alexandra House.	CO01.
8	Kinterbury Square.	CO04.
9	Kelly Close.	EN04.
10	The football/ cricket pitch off Kelly Close.	LE11.
11	Harbourside Youth Centre.	CO03.
12	Poole Park Road, Pemros Road and Wolesley Road.	TR03.
13	Roberts Road.	HO03.
14	The park off Old School Road.	LE08.
15	Kiln Close Park.	LE07.
16	Play Park off Ark Royal Close.	LE04.
17	Rear of Barne Barton Primary School.	EN06.
18	Blacky Woods.	EN02.
19	The Barn Community Centre.	CO02.
20	Barne Park.	LE06.
21	Scott Road / Barne Road junction.	TR02.
22	Haydon and Reynolds Grove.	HO02.
23	The Grove.	LE03.
24	The Grove.	LE10.
25	Play Area at the end of Warburton Gardens.	LE09.
26	The path through the Play Area at the end of Warburton Gardens.	LE02.
27	St Budeaux Square.	SH02.
28	St Budeaux Square.	SH03.
29	St Budeaux Square.	SH04.
30	St Budeaux Square.	TR04.
31	The Bowling Green.	LE12.
32	Percy Street.	TR19.
33	Victoria Road.	TR18.
34	Saltash Passage.	TR13.
35	Saltash Passage.	TR14.
36	Saltash Passage.	TR15.

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Map Code	Location	Response and Comment Reference
37	The grassed area around and beneath the Tamar bridge.	LE13.
38	The Tamar Bridge car park.	EN13.
39	Kings Tamerton.	LE14.
40	The Mowhay.	TR20.

What is Your Vision for St. Budeaux?

A Place where:

- There are better public transport links for St Budeaux, particularly in the Barne Barton area, which is isolated from many facilities.
- Shopping facilities in St Budeaux Square are retained and enhanced.
- More local shops are provided in Barne Barton.
- Health care facilities are improved by providing more local facilities/ clinics in the area.
- Youth provision (sports and community facilities) is improved.
- The local natural environment is protected and enhanced (for example by providing nature trail routes).
- Community spirit is nurtured, by enhancing local facilities and improving access to the local environment.

3. Sites with Development Interest

Major Planning Permissions

Outlined below are the major planning permissions that have been granted over the past five years in the ward that are likely to have a significant impact, but have not been implemented at 1 April 2000.

Application Details
<p>PP01. Kit Hill Crescent, Plymouth. Barne Barton Millennium Centre - erection of sports hall with ancillary accommodation, fitness suite and health clinic.</p>

Note: A major planning application for retail development and employment units at Coombe Farm/Parkway has yet to be determined by the Secretary of State following a Public Inquiry.

Previously Developed Sites

The thrust of current Government planning policy is to focus development wherever possible on previously developed land (often called “brownfield” land) so that building on “greenfield” land is minimised. On 19 May 1998 the Government announced an initiative (called the National Land Use Database) to identify all vacant and derelict sites over a certain size across the whole country. In September 1998 it asked all authorities to commence collection of the required data. Unlike many other authorities the City Council decided not to rely simply on existing databases and records, but undertook a very detailed survey across the whole city. This was completed in December 1998 with the database of vacant and derelict sites being concluded in February 1999. In February 2000 the City Council published its National Land Use Database report containing 279 vacant and derelict sites in Plymouth. These sites were identified on maps forming part of the workshop sessions undertaken as part of the Community Planning Studies so that local people could comment on the future of the sites. Shortly the City Council will be updating the database in line with new Government requirements.

Location	Our Response
<p>PD01. Land adjacent to 87-105 Foulston Avenue.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City’s Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>PD02. Land adjacent to Kinterbury Villa.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City’s Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>

Location	Our Response
<p>PP03. Kinterbury Villa.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>PD04. Kinterbury Square.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>PD05. Land adjacent to the Ministry Of Defence Training Centre, Foulston Avenue.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>

Major Landowner Sites

On 10 August 1999 the City Council commenced a parallel consultation to the Community Planning Studies with nearly 100 major landowners and their advisers in Plymouth. The Major Landowner Consultation has involved discussions with various organisations across the City on their possible future development proposals.

Whilst there is no guarantee that specific development proposals put forward by major landowners will be acceptable to the City Council, it was important that these were identified and included in the relevant Community Planning Study. Local people would then be aware of other options for development that had been identified for consideration in the Local Plan Review.

Sites identified under the Major Landowner Consultation have been separately identified in this Community Planning Study with the agreement of the landowners involved. In addition to meetings with major landowners, the City Council placed an advertisement in the Evening Herald on 4 February 2000 explaining the Urban Capacity Study proposed for Plymouth. All landowners in the city were invited to identify other sites that had not yet been brought forward under either the Community Planning Studies process or the Major Landowner Consultation.

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Location	Our Response
<p>ML01. Site: Kinterbury Square and adjacent land, Gray Crescent, Barne Barton.</p> <p>Suggested Use: Employment, Community, Retail, Residential, Open Space and Nature Trail.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>ML02. Site: Bull Point, Foulston Avenue, Barne Barton.</p> <p>Suggested Use: Residential.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>ML03. Site: Junction of Savage Road and Poole Park Road.</p> <p>Suggested Use: Retail.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>
<p>ML04. Site: St Boniface Church, Hall and Library.</p> <p>Suggested Use: Retail, Church, Community, Library and Car Park.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review. (A planning application (98/1144) has been submitted. See response to SH03.)</p>
<p>ML05. Site: Land rear of Kings Tamerton Road.</p> <p>Suggested Use: Residential.</p>	<p>The future of this site will need to be considered as part of the City's Urban Capacity Study that is being prepared as part of the Local Plan Review.</p>

Index of Sites with Development Interest Map

Map Code	Location	Response and Comment Reference
1	Bull Point, Foulston Avenue.	ML02.
2	Land adjacent to 85-105 Foulston Avenue.	PD01.
3	Land adjacent to MOD Training Centre.	PD05.
4	Kinterbury Villa.	PD03.
5	Land adjacent to Kinterbury Villa.	PD02.
6	Kinterbury Square and Adjacent Land.	ML01.
7	Kinterbury Square and Adjacent Land.	PD04.
8	Millennium Barn.	PP01.
9	Junction of Savage Road and Poole Park Road.	ML03.
10	St Boniface Church, Hall and Library.	ML04.
11	Land rear of Kings Tamerton Road.	ML05.

4. Next Steps

How will People be Kept in Touch?

The City Council will:

- Advertise the Community Planning Study by promoting the document through community networks and the local media.
- Make the Community Planning Study available to community groups and at local community centres and libraries.
- Give people ample opportunity to comment on the document by arranging meetings as necessary.
- Produce a simple questionnaire that enables people to comment on the responses given in the Community Planning Studies and to raise any additional comments that they feel were absent from the original study. These comments will be fed into the next stage of the Local Plan process. **There will not be a revised version of the Community Planning Study. It will be used, together with any comments received, to inform the production of the Local Plan itself.**
- Keep local people informed of the next steps in the Local Plan process and give them ample opportunity to be involved at all stages.

What is the Local Plan Timetable?

Publication of the Initial Deposit Plan.	March 2001
Publication of the Revised Deposit Plan.	December 2001
Local Plan Inquiry.	July 2002
Adoption of the Local Plan.	September 2004

5. Background Information

What is St. Budeaux Like?

Key Facts about St. Budeaux

Environmental Characteristics

Natural Environment

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
% Land covered by Environmental Designations.	5.1	22.4	15

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY
Sites of Special Scientific Interest.	0	9
Local Nature Reserves.	0	6
Community Woodlands.	2	9

Built Environment

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY
Scheduled Monuments.	1	45
Unscheduled Monuments.	0	36
Hectares of land covered by Conservation Areas.	0	281.0
Listed Buildings.	2	737
Vacant/Derelict Sites and Buildings.	5	157

Housing

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Total Housing Stock.	6,012	105,000	2
New Homes Built (1991 – 1999).	444	4,100	2
New Homes Built (1995 – 1999).	207	1,700	3
% New Homes Built (1995 – 1999) on Previously Developed Land.	51.7	53.8	11

Shopping

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY
District Centres.	1	8
Local Centres.	1	60

Transport

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Number of bus stops.	79	1,689	13

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY
Existing traffic calming schemes.	1	34

Recreation & Leisure

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
% Land covered by Public Parks.	1.9	5.5	17
Children's Play Areas.	11	170	6=

Sources:

“City of Plymouth Local Plan First Alteration”, Plymouth City Council, May 1996.

“Revised List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest (District of Plymouth)” (with subsequent amendments), Department for Culture, Media and Sport, November 1998.

“The List of Scheduled Monuments” (with subsequent amendments), English Heritage, March 1999.

“Provisional Local Transport Plan 1999 – 2006”, Plymouth City Council, September 1999.

“Housing Development and Land Availability in Plymouth 1998/99”, Plymouth City Council, December 1999.

Plymouth City Council Development Planning Division unpublished survey data, 1999 – 2000.

Social Characteristics

Population

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
% Children (0 – 15 years).	24.9	20.3	2
% Adults (16 – Retirement).	57.8	61.4	18
% Retired.	17.3	18.3	13

Housing

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
% Owner Occupied.	51.9	63.7	17
% Council/ Housing Association.	35.4	23.2	5
% Private Rented.	12.7	12.8	8

Health

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Standard Mortality Ratio.	126.3	108.3	3
- Deaths from Coronary Heart Disease. (rate per 100,000 population)	132.0	119.3	8
- Deaths from Cancer. (rate per 100,000 population)	152.6	173.7	18
- Deaths from Accidents. (rate per 100,000 population)	19.5	20.7	9

Education

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY
Primary Schools.	5	69
Secondary Schools.	1	16

Crime

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Total Reported Crimes.	1,418	26,406	7
Burglaries.	176	3,772	10
Vehicle Crime.	502	8,108	7
Crimes against the Person.	232	3,915	3

Sources:

South & West Devon Health Authority.

- Standard Mortality Ratio (All ages, 1998).
- Deaths from Coronary Heart Disease (Under 75 years of age, 1996-1998 average).
- Deaths from Cancer (Under 75 years of age, 1996-1998 average).
- Deaths from Accidents (Under 75 years of age, 1996-1998 average).

1991 Census of Population, Office for National Statistics.

“City of Plymouth List of Schools, Colleges and other Educational Establishments”, Plymouth City Council, December 1998.

Devon & Cornwall Constabulary Data (1999/2000)

Economic Characteristics

Deprivation

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Index of Deprivation.			9
Number of Income Support Beneficiaries.	1,192	18,472	6
% Households with No Car.	41.6	34.3	7

Unemployment

CHARACTERISTIC	WARD	CITY	WARD RANKING (1 – highest, 20 – lowest)
Unemployment Rate (%).	6.4	4.6	6
% Long-Term Unemployed (Over 12 Months).	1.0	0.9	8

Sources:

1998 Index of Local Deprivation, Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

Department of Social Security Data (1998).

1991 Census of Population, Office for National Statistics.

2000 Claimant Count Data, NOMIS/ Office for National Statistics.

How have People been Involved So Far?

The Community Planning Studies consultation process included a wide variety of different forms to ensure that as many of the residents of Plymouth as possible had the opportunity to participate. A summary of the main consultation approaches is outlined below.

Community Planning Studies Leaflet and Questionnaire

During the course of the of the Community Planning Studies consultation nearly 20,000 Community Planning Study leaflets were distributed and over 1,600 detailed questionnaires were completed. These were placed in the Civic Centre and other Council offices, libraries, all doctor surgeries in the City and various community centres and meeting places.

Presentations

Officers attended 42 presentations in total throughout the city to various City-wide and local community and amenity groups. The presentations usually formed part of scheduled meetings. Planning Officers explained the context of Local Plan preparation, the key issues facing the City and set out the consultation process and timetable for the Local Plan Review. Usually there was then a question and answer session. These presentations then established the need for workshops to discuss key issues in greater depth.

Workshops and Focus Groups

A total of 63 workshops were carried out as part of the Community Planning Studies process. The workshops comprised area-based events working with maps, plans, exhibition material and other facilitation techniques. In addition there were focus groups to target particular interest groups (e.g. senior citizens and disability groups). The workshops were normally organised by individual community groups. Where necessary the Planning Service organised workshops for community groups or in areas where there had been fewer events. This was to ensure that citizens in all parts of the City had the opportunity to be involved. All the workshops followed a similar format as outlined below:

- Introductions.
- Presentation on the Local Plan and Community Planning Studies process.
- Workshop discussions.
- Feedback on the workshop discussions.

Most of the workshops included a feedback form where participants were asked to critically assess the quality and relevance of the workshop based on a scoring system of 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent). Participants were also asked to fill in equal opportunities monitoring forms.

The key results of this monitoring are outlined in the General Community Planning Study.

Schools Consultation

The schools consultation programme was undertaken between March 1999 and December 1999. It involved a total of 20 primary and secondary schools. The City Council commissioned the Tamar Education Business Partnership to establish the secondary school programme to both meet the needs of the school curriculum and the Local Plan requirements. The Tamar Business Partnership organised the events and facilitated the days in association with City Council officers and teachers at the schools. The events involved presentations, walkabouts, group discussion and feedback.

Community Events

The Community Planning Studies involved officers attending 49 community events such as fun days and fetes throughout the city. The usual format was for officers to staff a stall with exhibition material and questionnaires. As an extra incentive 300 Frisbees were given out to children and/or a raffle was held.

Unstaffed Exhibitions

Unstaffed exhibitions were included as part of larger exhibitions that lasted a number of days (e.g. Green Week) or where a large number of people were likely to see the exhibition (e.g. Civic Centre foyer). The Community Planning Study leaflet and Local Plan questionnaire were also available. They took a minimal amount of staff time, but were widely seen.

Library Exhibitions

Library exhibitions took place in all 20 libraries in Plymouth. At certain times Planning Officers staffed some of these exhibitions.

Targeted Groups

Certain excluded groups were targeted in the Community Planning Studies consultation in accordance with the Local Plan Consultation Strategy recommendations and the City Council's own equality target groups.

These are outlined in detail in the General Community Planning Study with an evaluation on the representation of key target groups. In summary the following groups were targeted:

- Ethnic minorities.
- Faith groups.
- Elderly people.
- Disabled people.
- Women.
- Lone parent families.
- Students.
- Disadvantaged people living in deprived areas.
- Young people.
- Gay and lesbian people.
- Travellers.
- People without access to personal transport.

Events in St Budeaux

Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
Barne Barton Community Centre.	15/12/98	Community Planning Presentation.	11
St Budeaux Library.	01/03/99 to 14/03/99	Library Exhibition.	Not recorded.
St Budeaux Library.	10/03/99	Staffed Library Exhibition.	6
Barne Barton Primary School.	23/06/99	Schools Consultation.	40
Barne Barton Fun Day.	11/09/99	Exhibition as part of Fun Day.	30
North West Plymouth Liaison Group.	07/10/99	Community Planning Presentation.	5
Kinterbury Square Consultation.	26/10/99	Exhibition as part of Community Regeneration Consultation.	Not recorded.
Bull Point Primary School.	08/11/99	Schools Consultation.	35
St Budeaux Community Planning Workshop (St Paul's Roman Catholic Church Hall).	13/12/99	Community Planning Workshop.	6

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Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
Tamarside Community College.	14/12/99	Schools Consultation.	20
Total Number of Events held in St Budeaux.			10
Total number of Residents consulted			153
Number of Questionnaires received from St Budeaux.			25

Events Near St Budeaux

Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
Weston Mill Primary School Fete.	26/06/99	Exhibition.	Not recorded.

City-Wide Events

Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
Respect Festival.	25/10/98	Exhibition as part of Festival.	90
Green Week.	24/10/98 to 31/10/98	Exhibition as part of Green Week.	100
Communities Against Poverty.	05/01/99	Community Planning Presentation.	10
Federation of Civic and Amenities Societies.	08/02/99	Community Planning Presentation.	10
Plymouth Tenants and Residents Association.	08/02/99	Community Planning Presentation.	20
Environment Forum.	16/02/99	Community Planning Presentation.	15
Central Library.	01/02/99 to 28/02/99	Library Exhibition.	Not recorded.
Local Agenda 21 Roundtable.	27/02/99	Workshop as part of a Local Agenda 21 seminar.	33
Senior Citizen's Forum.	09/04/99	Community Planning Presentation.	6

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Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
Transport and General Workers Union Retired Members Association.	25/05/99	Community Planning Presentation.	27
Plymouth Access Group.	03/06/99	Community Planning Presentation.	7
Central Library.	01/06/99 to 30/06/99	Library Exhibition.	Not recorded.
Disability Information Advisory Centre Forum.	08/07/99	Community Planning Presentation.	15
Derriford Hospital.	23/08/99 to 31/08/99	Exhibition on Community Planning Studies.	Not recorded.
City Centre Exhibition.	14/9/99	Part of Guildhall Planning Brief Exhibition.	40
Waterfront Walkway Opening.	03/10/99	Exhibition as part of larger event.	50
Senior Citizen's Forum.	11/10/99	Community Planning Presentation.	180
Senior Citizen's Forum.	18/10/99	Community Planning Workshop on senior citizens' issues.	2
EcoExpo.	25/10/99 to 26/10/99	Exhibition as part of larger event.	Not recorded.
Respect Festival.	31/10/99	Exhibition as part of larger event.	120
Access Focus Group.	04/11/99	Focus Group aimed specifically at people who have an interest in disability issues.	38
University of Plymouth Students Union.	04/11/99	Exhibition aimed at University students.	Not recorded.
Plymouth College of Further Education.	23/11/99	Exhibition aimed at College of Further Education students.	Not recorded.
Plymouth Architectural Trust.	23/11/99	Community Planning Presentation.	16

Event	Date	Details of Event	Residents Involved
College of St. Mark's and St. John's.	25/11/99	Exhibition aimed at students.	Not recorded.
Pathfinder Visioning Conference.	16/05/00	Conference to discuss the Overall Vision for Pathfinder.	200
Federation of Civic and Amenities Societies.	19/06/00	Community Planning Presentation.	13
National Plans - Local Views Consultation Event, Civic Centre, Plymouth.	21/06/00	Cabinet Office Local Listening Event on the National Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal.	110

What other Documents have been used for the Study?

The following documents were used to compile the Eggbuckland Community Planning Study:

- "City of Plymouth Local Plan", Plymouth City Council, April 1987.
- "City of Plymouth Local Plan First Alteration", Plymouth City Council, 1996.
- Various Evening Herald Articles relating to ward matters: (12/02/98, 15/04/98, 20/05/98, 02/09/98, 09/12/98, 10/03/99, 14/04/99, 21/04/99, 02/06/99, 08/09/99, 13/10/99, 27/10/99, 01/12/99, 08/12/99 08/03/00).
- "Strategic Plan for Integrated Community and Economic Regeneration of Barne Barton", Barne Barton Community Action Group, undated.
- "Kinterbury Square Leaflet", Barne Barton Community Action Group, May 1999.
- North West Plymouth Steering Group Discussion Paper, Plymouth City Council, May 1999.
- Barne Barton / Environment 2000 (Proposed Nature Trail Route/Leaflet), Hunter Bent for Environment 2000, undated.
- "Barne Barton - A vision statement", Plymouth University School of Architecture, undated student project on community empowerment.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The explanations given for the following terms are not definitive and are for guidance only.

Allotments Strategy

A City Council document that seeks to maximise the use of existing allotments for the benefit of ploholders, the community and the environment.

Article 4 Direction

A direction by the Local Planning Authority that must be approved by the Secretary of State. It removes 'permitted development' rights for certain specified types of alterations that do not normally need planning permission. It allows the Local Planning Authority to achieve greater control in sensitive locations, such as Conservation Areas.

Best Value

A process aimed at ensuring "continuous improvement" of services delivered by local authorities. Each authority must review all of the services it provides over a 5-year period in consultation with local people. It must publish a report of its performance and plans for the future each year. Refer to the current Best Value Performance Plan.

Coastal Preservation Area

A non-statutory Structure Plan designation that seeks to protect Devon's important coastlines.

Conservation Area

An area (e.g. The Hoe or Plympton St. Maurice) considered by the Local Planning Authority to be of special architectural or historic interest, with a character or appearance that is worth preserving.

Devon Structure Plan

A document prepared by the Strategic Planning Authorities of Devon (of which Plymouth City Council is one) consisting of a Written Statement accompanied by diagrams. It formulates general policy and proposals illustrating the broad pattern of future development in Devon. It apportions this development between all District and Unitary Authorities in Devon.

Economic Development Plan

A document produced by Plymouth City Council that contains proposals for future development that have both economic and planning implications to enable the Council to target money on economic initiatives.

Empty Homes Strategy

A City Council strategy with the objective to reduce the number of private sector empty homes in the city, focusing particularly on those properties that have been vacant for over 12 months.

Environmental Policy and Action Plan

A non-statutory policy document setting out the City Council's policies and targets for the environment and a five-year action plan.

European Regional Development Fund

A European Union fund to contribute towards the correction of regional imbalances in Europe.

Facilities Planning Model

A planning tool developed by the English Sports Council for making decisions about the need for sports facilities in an area.

Greenscape Assessment

An assessment of the character, function and importance of undeveloped land in the city.

Greenscape Strategy

A City Council document (unpublished as at July 2000) that will set a framework for the management and provision of a network of accessible green routes and spaces across the city.

Health Action Zone

A Government funded initiative through which innovative and partnership approaches to tackling health inequalities are piloted. Plymouth is one of a number of areas where such initiatives have been established.

Heritage Strategy

A City Council document that sets out a vision and action plan for the management of the City's heritage resources.

Home Zone

A clearly defined area of mainly residential streets where road space is shared amongst pedestrians, cyclists, children playing and motorists. There is a pilot Home Zone being drawn up for the Morice Town area.

House in Multiple Occupation (HMO)

An 'umbrella' phrase that includes properties such as bedsits, rooms and flatlets where facilities (bathrooms, kitchens etc.) are shared.

The Housing Needs Survey

A study (unpublished as at July 2000) commissioned jointly by Plymouth City Council, South Hams District Council and the Housing Corporation. It involved a sample survey of residential addresses to inform an assessment of current and future housing need in the city and the surrounding area.

Housing Investment Programme

The strategy and bid document that provides a framework on which housing decisions will be made. It sets out priorities and issues and also considers financial aspects of housing related matters.

Listed Building

A building of special architectural or historic interest that is considered desirable to preserve, appearing on a list compiled by the Secretary of State.

Local Agenda 21

A process of preparing a local action plan for sustainable development. These plans are to be prepared by local councils in consultation with their communities. They were suggested at the "Earth Summit" in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, and all local authorities throughout the world should be preparing their own Local Agenda 21 Plans. Plymouth's Local Agenda 21 is called "For Generations Ahead".

Local Nature Reserve

Land that the Local Authority, in consultation with English Nature, declares and manages for the purposes of preserving its conservation value and for providing opportunities for the study of these features.

Local Plan

A detailed plan consisting of a written statement and a proposals map showing the changes proposed in development and other uses of land. This document is the statutory plan for the City of Plymouth. It must generally conform to the Structure Plan (see Devon Structure Plan).

Local Transport Plan

A plan produced by the local highway authority covering all forms of transport, designed to co-ordinate and improve local transport provision.

National Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal

An emerging Government strategy setting out key themes and ideas to stop the further decline of less advantaged neighbourhoods in order that the most affected areas can be improved in the future.

National Land Use Database

A Central Government initiative to identify all vacant and derelict sites over a certain size across the whole country.

Neighbourhood Renewal Area

A Neighbourhood Renewal Area is declared in order to concentrate effort into improving a particular area. This is done by reducing the numbers of unfit houses, either by repair or demolition. The local environment is also improved and new job opportunities are created making the area, in general terms, a better place to live. The East End area of Plymouth was declared a Neighbourhood Renewal Area in 2000.

New Deal for Communities

A Government funded initiative directed at specific communities with identified needs related to employment, education, crime and health. South Devonport has been selected as an area where a detailed bid can be made.

Pathfinder Strategy and Action Plan

A plan for the economic, social and environmental regeneration of Plymouth, led by the Plymouth 2020 Partnership – the city's lead public-private-community-voluntary sector partnership. Pathfinder is part of the Government's "New Commitment to Regeneration" programme. It is unique in that it aims to ensure a co-ordinated approach to regeneration with all agencies working to a common vision.

Planning Obligation

A voluntary legal obligation between the Local Planning Authority and an applicant for planning permission intended to regulate the development or use of land in a way that cannot be adequately controlled by normal planning conditions. A planning permission will not come into effect until the Planning Obligation has been signed and entered into.

Planning Policy Guidance Note (PPG)

A series of Central Government notes on many aspects of planning which set out broad government policies on various topics. The Local Planning Authority must have regard to and take account of PPG's, but do not have to slavishly adhere to them.

Play Areas Survey

A survey (unpublished as at July 2000) being undertaken by the City Council to identify areas of the City that lack enough playgrounds.

Playing Pitch Strategy

A model developed by the English Sports Council for assessing whether there is adequate playing pitch provision. Plymouth is currently preparing a Playing Pitch Strategy.

Plymouth Shopping Study 2000

A shopping study (unpublished as at July 2000) carried out on behalf of the City Council by consultants CB Hillier Parker, assessing the need for new retail development in Plymouth, in the period to 2011.

Public Open Space

Any land laid out as a public garden, or used for the purposes of public recreation, or land that is a disused burial ground, to which there is free and general public access and which is, usually, vested to the local council.

Quality of Life

The availability of the basic needs of life and of things that make life enjoyable. This might include food, clean air and water, shelter, employment, countryside and open spaces, and equal opportunities. Quality of life is not the same as standard of living.

Single Regeneration Budget

The main Government urban regeneration funding programme that supports local economic, social and environmental initiatives.

Site Locally Important for Nature Conservation (SLINC)

A site of local or regional importance where plants and animals have been able to take refuge from urban development and which are protected because of their scientific, nature conservation and wildlife value.

Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

Land not managed as a Nature Reserve, but which is of special nature conservation interest. SSSI's are declared by English Nature.

Supplementary Planning Guidance

Guidance to provide further detail to Local Plan policies, relating to particular sites or subjects (e.g. house extensions and play areas).

Stonehouse Area Plan

A non-statutory area plan for the Stonehouse area. It sets out detailed area-based policies and proposals for the regeneration of the area.

Sustainable Development

Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Sustainability

Maintaining the natural, economic and social systems, which support life and provide for people's quality of life.

Transport Strategy

An integrated strategy for transport provision in Plymouth and the surrounding areas, produced by relevant local authorities, and transport providers, and known as *Moving In A New Direction*.

Tree Preservation Order

A special control placed on trees or woodland considered to be of high amenity value, that in most cases requires the consent of the Local Planning Authority before works to trees can be carried out.

Urban Capacity Study

A study being commissioned by the City Council to assess Plymouth's capacity for accommodating new development in a way which also protects the environment and people's quality of life.

Urban Village

The creation of a liveable neighbourhood in an area in need of regeneration through the introduction of more varied land uses, more variety in housing tenures and by relaxing planning and highway design standards. A report is being prepared for an Urban Village in the South Devonport area.

Use Class Order

The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order is a Statutory Instrument that classifies uses and provides considerable scope for changes of use to be made without the need for planning permission.

Waterfront Walkway

A recreational and heritage footpath through Plymouth that is an integral part of The South West Coast Path.



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