

# SOUTHWAY

Sustainable Neighbourhoods Development Plan  
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## SUMMARY OF RESPONSES

This is a summary of some of the key issues emerging from the consultation process. Fuller versions of the representations can be viewed below.

Seven representations were received, the majority of whom thought that the summary of the neighbourhood was a reasonable reflection of the situation.

### Shopping

Overall respondents suggest that the shopping facilities are not adequate. Specific reference is made to a lack of a range of shops and that there are few if any shops within walking distance of parts of the neighbourhood. One respondent suggested a need for CCTV in Southway local centre and that the precinct lacks quality.

### Local issues

A number of these were identified including:

- Speeding traffic.
- Improvements to greenspaces.
- Lack of public transport route from Warleigh Village to doctor's surgery.
- Lack of Street cleaning in Dunnet Road & Rolston Close.
- Lack of facilities for the young and elderly.
- Anti-social behaviour/vandalism.
- Lack of adequate street lighting.

### Important Greenspaces

Greenspaces S08, SO9 & SO14 were identified as being important for wildlife, leisure and recreation. One respondent stated that the allotments (S03) should be preserved and extended. Some respondents also identified greenspace (S04) as being important for leisure and recreation. It was also suggested that the greenspace at Tamerton Vale should be retained for recreational uses and that the natural hedgerow and trees should be protected.

### Potential Development Sites

Redevelopment of the Southway comprehensive school site could provide a new shopping centre, small business units for local people and therefore existing local centre could be redeveloped for housing.

### Other Comments Included

- Traffic calming measures.
- Brief for Tamerton Vale School site should preserve open boundaries, restrict traffic through Rolston Close and refuse access through the Coombe Lane/Tamerton Foliot Road corner.
- Southway valley nature reserve should be protected and enhanced.
- Lack of a police presence in the area.

- Lack of pedestrian crossings to the local centre.
- Concern over the sustainability of Southway local centre should any additional retail development occur nearby.

Q2 – How are you connected with this neighbourhood?

Q3a – Do you generally agree with the summary of this neighbourhood?

Q3b – If not, what would you like to change?

Q4 – What do you think of the shopping facilities?

Q5 – Briefly in order of importance, what do you think are the biggest issues in the neighbourhood? E.g. youth facilities, traffic, affordable homes etc.

Q6a – Which green spaces/parks are important to you and why? (please identify them using the numbers on the map)

Q6b – Are there any areas of green or open space that are not shown which you feel should be protected? Please explain why

Q7 – Identify any sites you feel should or could be developed and for what purpose?

Full Name	Q2	Q3a	3b	Q4	Q5	Q6a	Q6b	Q7	Other comments
Mr Nick Furze SNDDP20 Southway	Resident	No		Southway shopping centre is clean and tidy, however it is monopolised by one store, the Coop, and this reduces competition between traders and means higher food prices. CCTV should be installed to monitor the area. Local stores need to be located near the bottom of Southway.	Traffic calming measures such as a mini roundabout at the bottom of Looseleigh Lane and at its junction with Tamerton Foliot road would reduce traffic speed and improve pedestrian safety. Real time passenger information at bus stops in the area. Green space improvements such as the park off Frontfield Crescent, with improved landscaping and security. Affordable homes should only be considered inline with new development quotas.	The green space between (S08 & SO9) Frontfield Crescent and Southway Drive is important, it is a natural habitat for wildlife, is a place of recreation and enjoyment for children and dog walkers. It helps maintain a feeling of space in an urban area.	All wooded areas within Southway should be maintained.	The former Southway Comprehensive school site should be used to provide a new shopping centre and a small business incubation site, where local people can set up new businesses and hopefully expand this would leave the existing shopping centre free for redevelopment as housing.	<p>Southway is a large area and could benefit from a focal point which perhaps could be located more centrally on the site of the former Comprehensive school. This area could facilitate a new shopping area with a wider range of shops, an area where small business incubation could take place, with new housing. The present shopping area could then be developed for new housing.</p> <p>It is essential that Southway Valley nature reserve remains wholly in tact and improved with new footpaths and more litter bins located, as fly tipping seems to take place near to the exit of the woods near Goodwin Park and at Frontfield Crescent, a small electrical substation at Frontfield crescent park needs painting due to graffiti. The miniature railway at the top of Southway should be advertised more with an increase in landscaping. A concrete pathway should also be created between Derriford Dunraven Drive and Southway Pendeen Crescent as during wet weather periods the present pathway becomes muddy and waterlogged.</p> <p>Traffic calming measures need to be located in certain areas of Southway especially on the downhill section of Southway Drive between Clittaford Rd and Tamerton Foliot Rd. Frontfield Crescent is used as a rat run when traffic queues at the bottom of Looseleigh Lane during rush hour.</p> <p>I feel during these economic times is it necessary to keep residential street lighting on all night and should be switched off from 11pm till 5.30am leaving lights only at junctions and on main roads switched on.</p>
Mr Dennis Silverwood SNDDP48 Southway	Neighbour in Tamerton Foliot	Yes		V convenient rather than going to e.g. Woolwell	n/a	<p>SO3 - allotments. These should be preserved and potentially extended.</p> <p>SO14 - 'green fingers' into Plymouth</p> <p>SO4 - former TV school</p>	As commented above. Development brief on the TV school site should have protected elements and should also restrict traffic through Rolston Close and refuse access through the Coombe lane	n/a	The Southway plan meshes with neighbouring areas when a network of paths/ cycle ways and preservation of visual amenity is considered. A route up Coombe Lane with access to Belliver/ the moor would be excellent.

						site. Any development should preserve the open boundaries (e.g. Southway Lane is historic and where abutted by development has become a tip); the well used dog walking areas and some areas of flat land for recreation and play.	TF Rd corner.		
Mr Michael Griffin Barratt Homes Limited SNDPD121 Southway	See attached								
C Perry SNDPD152 Southway	Resident	Yes		Top of Southway seems well served, but from the top of Dunnett Road to the bottom there are very few facilities.	There are no buses that take your from Dunett Road to the doctors at Roborough, Bird Cage Farm. You have to walk from Warleigh Village up to the surgery.  Street cleaning seems to go along Dunett Road & Rolston Close. Very rarely high no's Saunders Walk and Blackmere Cres. Pavement at Saunders Walk is becoming a health & safety issue - needs repairs.	Tamerton Vale site, playing fields and play grounds need to be retained for recreational most important for young in the area, now used for football etc Keep natural hedgerow and trees.			Housing in Tamerton Vale. No flats.  Single dwellings i.e. bungalows, against sloping banks so not over looked by higher buildings the rest family homes with parking. Bear in mind there are no community facilities in these areas i.e. schools, shops.
Mrs P Duggan SNDPD153 Southway	Landowner	Yes	Supermarket or more facilities for bottom of estate.	Not very good where we are for people - no transport. Few small shops.	Traffic. Youth Facilities. Also Bus route to doctor's surgery at the top of the estate - especially for elderly with no transport.	SO4 Children and adults play football, people exercise dogs and congregate. Children play other ball games here.	Top and middle old playgrounds of the school. Children play here on bikes etc & ball games. Also elderly meet up several times a day with animals etc	Old school site will be developed hopefully not with high rise flats. More bungalows for elderly would be ideal at top end of site.	Whilst I would appreciate that this site will be built on as nothing is left clear now. I would hope there will be no high rise flats or houses.  I have lived here for about 40 years and always had some view, even with the school there. Playground could be delivered for children to have a play area. Also something for older children, perhaps there wouldn't be so much broken glass and empty cans.
Mr Michael Griffin Barratt Homes Limited SNDPD374 Southway	See attached								
Miss Jasmin Hansford SNDPD292 Southway	Resident	Yes		There is not a lot there.	There are too many teen gangs sitting in my flats stairwells and then leaving their litter.	My local park  The Field	The field as it is a part of a good looking place.	The old church could be cleared as it is used for dumping.	
Mrs C. O. Jones SNDPD306 Southway	Resident	Yes		Disgusted as we could do with a butchers and other shops to make it a proper shopping centre. They have closed the DIY shop.	Buses that turn up at all.  Somewhere for us older people to go to meet up. Very poorly lighted especially where I live. Afraid to go out.				We never see a policeman in Southway. Bus shelters are always targeted. When Council cut the grass they never sweep up, and when it rains we can fall. Disgusted with cars how they park on the grass verges and make it so muddy. Shopping precinct is dull and needs to be really

										altered. We have not got any crossings at all for us to cross the roads safely. This is very important. A decent park is needed for children, and then we get hooligans who break it all up. They should not be allowed to get away with it.
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