# **Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan** 2018-2031

# Consultation Statement (Draft version)











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#### Introduction to the Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

The Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has been prepared in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Localism Act 2011, the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and Directive 2001/42/EC on Strategic Environmental Assessment. The NDP establishes a vision for the future of the town and sets out how that vision will be realised through planning and controlling land use and development change.

This NDP is a new type of planning document prepared by the Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group on behalf of the Town Council and local residents. It is a legal planning policy document and once it has been 'made' by Stroud District Council it must be used by:

- Planners at Stroud District Council in assessing planning applications; and
- By developers and applicants as they prepare planning applications to submit to Stroud District Council.

Planning applications must be decided in accordance with the Stroud District Local Plan 2015.

Because the Neighbourhood Development Plan carries this much influence in planning decisions, the Dursley NDP will be examined by an independent examiner who will check that it has been prepared in accordance with the Basic Conditions that are set out below:

- The draft NDP must have appropriate regard to national policies and advice contained in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF);
- The draft NDP must contribute to the achievement of sustainable development;
- The draft NDP must be in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the local planning authority, in this case Stroud District Council's Local Plan 2015 and,
- The draft NDP must meet the relevant EU obligations.

Following a successful examination, the NDP must go to public referendum (which is organised by Stroud District Council) and be approved by a simple majority of votes (i.e. over 50% of those voting in a local referendum).

The NDP has been prepared by the Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group which is comprised of representatives from the Town Council and local residents across the Plan area. It covers the whole Parish of Dursley and is intended to cover the period of 2018-2031.

#### What is the Consultation Statement?

This Consultation Statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 in respect of the Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Section 15(2) of Part 5 of the Regulations requires that a Consultation Statement should:

- Contain details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed NDP;
- Explain how they were consulted;
- Summarise the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and
- Describe how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant have been addressed in the proposed NDP.

**Part 1** gives an overview of the consultation events and activities that have led to the production of the Draft Dursley NDP and ultimately the planning policies contained within it that aim to control and promote sustainable development in the town over the next 20 years. It includes Appendix A, a summary table listing consultation and engagement events and activities in chronological order. **This covers the period from December 2013 until July 2017** 

**Part 2** gives an overview and description of the consultation, known as Regulation 14, that was undertaken on the Draft Dursley NDP that covered the period from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Appendices B to E include supporting information. **This covers the period November 2017 until January 2018** 

#### Part 3 Consultation Evidence Base Folder

This contains hard copies of supplementary documents which form part of the evidence for the consultation statement.

#### PART 1

#### **Designation of the Neighbourhood Area**

The decision to produce a NDP for the area was explored by Dursley Town Council in late 2013. Initial discussions took place at Council meetings in September and October. In December 2013 the Town Council declared its intention to develop a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). An article on Neighbourhood Development Plans was included in the December 2013 edition of 'Dursley Matters', the Council's quarterly newsletter, it included information to raise general awareness of the process and encouraged those interested in getting involved to get in-touch.

The Area Designation was applied for under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 by Dursley Town Council on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013. The application was submitted for the parish of Dursley to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of creating a NDP. This application was received by Stroud District Council and was consulted upon for a statutory 6 week consultation period.

As outlined in the Regulations the Local Authority has a duty to publicise the Area Application in a manner that will bring them to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the area. The full application and information on how to comment was made available on the District Council's website.

During the 6 week consultation period, no objections were received to the Neighbourhood Area as outlined in the initial application. Therefore on 4th February 2014 Stroud District Council confirmed that Dursley Town Council could proceed with the preparation of a NDP for the parish of Dursley.

#### Generating Initial Interest in the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

On 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 Dursley Town Council and Cam Parish Council worked together to coordinate a public workshop with a focus on undertaking a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for Dursley and a plan for Cam. The event was facilitated by Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC) who explained the NDP process and how the community could get involved.

An open public invitation was publicised via the Council's newsletter 'Dursley Matters', posters went up on town centre/ community group noticeboards, a flyer was sent out to local businesses and a press release was issued. An article appeared in the local Gazette newspaper on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and targeted invitation letters and emails went out.

In response 15 residents and Councillors from Dursley attended the workshop on the night. Those attending decided that the best action for Dursley would be to form a Steering Group to take forward the NDP process and work. On the night attendees agreed a Terms of Reference for the Steering Group and 10 volunteer residents and Councillors stepped forward to become members of the new group.

Following the workshop, plans to start work on the NDP were announced in the April 2014 edition of the Council's 'Dursley Matters' newsletter, it included information to raise general awareness of the process and residents were encouraged to get involved and share their views. Articles in the local Gazette newspaper, on 6<sup>th</sup> March and on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014, also mentioned work on the new NDP project.

Throughout the NDP process, and in undertaking all the consultation activities and events, raising general awareness of the process and encouraging community involvement has been an important feature.

#### Organisational Structure of the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

The Steering Group was made up of members of Dursley Town Council and interested members of the community leading on work across a range of themes that formed the basis of the draft NDP.

Meetings were held on a regular basis and minutes published on the NDP pages of the Council's website. Dursley Town Council received regular reports back from the Steering Group at full Council and Planning Committee meetings.

In preparing Dursley's NDP the Steering Group has consistently ensured that residents and other stakeholders including local authorities, interest groups, land owners, businesses and statutory bodies have regularly been consulted and that their comments have been noted and where appropriate, incorporated into the plan as it evolved.

The Steering Group has continuously sought to work with its relevant Local Planning Authority, Stroud District Council, and has been supported at various stages of the process to ensure its work aligns with the published information of the Local Plan.

In support of the project Dursley Town Council funded a part-time Project Officer to work with the Steering Group and to help oversee the process. Elements of the work have been funded with the help of Locality grants e.g. Landscape Character Assessment.

#### **Overview of Consultation Events & Activities**

The overall aims of the Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) consultation process were:

- 1. To involve as much of the community as possible throughout all consultation stages of Plan development so that the Plan was informed by the views of local people and other stakeholders from the start of the Neighbourhood Planning process;
- 2. To ensure that consultation events took place at critical points in the process where decisions needed to be taken;
- 3. To engage with as wide a range of people as possible, using a variety of approaches and communication and consultation techniques; and
- 4. To ensure that results of consultation were fed back to local people and available to read (in both hard copy and via the Steering Group's webpage) after the consultation events.

The NDP Steering Group considered different engagement techniques and sourced advice from specialist consultants at Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC) and Place Studio to ensure any consultation that was undertaken was correct and that all sectors of the community were given the opportunity to have their say on the contents and policies within the plan.

The range of consultation methods used are listed below:

- Questionnaires/surveys
- Attendance at community events & meetings
- Consultation drop-in events
- Arranged meetings
- Public exhibitions / information boards
- Flyers
- Newsletters 'Dursley Matters'
- Press releases/articles in Gazette
- Agenda items on Dursley Town Council meetings
- Dursley Town Council website NDP page
- Social media
- Research

Over the numerous consultation events and activities that have been held the Steering Group has gone to great lengths to ensure the local community has been actively involved in the production of the NDP. Extensive early community engagement has been undertaken and the views and opinions of the local community have informed and developed the policies contained in the draft NDP.

A standard approach was used by the Steering Group to try and reach as many different local people from all parts of the community as possible. Steering Group representatives attended a wide range of generic community events and various meetings of local groups. Information boards were adapted and prepared for each different audience. These sessions were aimed at being as interactive for the participants as possible and consultees were encouraged to give their views and asked if they supported aspects of the project through using colour dots to stick on the information boards. Comments and feedback were captured on post-it notes and in writeups from these events. These were then shared and reviewed by the Steering Group at subsequent meetings and changes were made to the plan as a result of this.

In summary the main issues and concerns raised by consultees are:

- To value and conserve the beautiful countryside surrounding Dursley; (Environment and Sustainability Policies ES1, ES2 & ES3)
- To support development in the right place that meets the needs of the local community; (Dursley Development Strategy, Town Centre Policy E3, Character and Design Policy D1, Housing Development Policy H1 and Community Facilities Policy SF1)
- To maintain a mix of housing development styles and range of different tenure types; (Housing Development Policy H1 and Housing Quality Policy H2),

- Sufficient community facilities which meet the needs of the growing population; (Services and Facilities Policies SF1 and SF2)
- Ample short stay parking for residents and visitors using local shops;(Car Parking T1)
- Plenty of long stay parking for people who work in Dursley and day visitors;(Car Parking T1|)
- To support the existing local economy particularly focusing on the town centre and retail businesses and other small businesses; (Economy Policies E1, E2, & E£ and Town Centre Policy TC1)
- To help sustain local tourism activity and capitalise on the town being situated on the Cotswold Way; (Town Centre Policy TC1 and Economy Policy E4 Visitor Accommodation)
- Plenty of green spaces and play spaces; (Services and Facilities Policy SF2 Local Green Spaces Designations and Environment & Sustainability Policy ES1 Green Infrastructure).
- Connecting the housing development at Littlecombe with the town centre (**Transpor5t Policy T2 Improve connections for Cyclists and Pedestrians**).

The policies and projects in the NDP which address the issues raised by consultees are marked in bold at the end of each bullet point.

A common theme which runs through all the consultation feedback is the lack of any significant objections to the content of the plan. Both general and specific comments have been supportive of the vision, objectives and policies within the plan.

Appendix A (page 18) is a summary **Table of Consultation Events and Activities** and their outcomes listed in chronological order. Copies of consultation material including adverts, templates, survey findings, reports and response write-ups are available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder.** 

#### **Consultation with Stakeholders & Groups**

#### Residents, community groups & organisations

Attending community events & meetings

On 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014 volunteers from the Steering Group attended the Farmers Market with a simple survey and picture stand to raise awareness of the NDP process and seek initial feedback on the types of development/improvements needed in Dursley, likes and dislikes and aspirations.

In July 2014 the group developed information boards to help raise awareness, promote discussion and gather feedback on themes and topics for the plan. The boards were used at consultation events and covered questions on housing, design, the local economy and employment, the local environment and green spaces, services, facilities and infrastructure, getting around and local transport. They were designed so that that people could use sticky dots and post it notes to record comments and answer questions under theme headings.

The boards were used at the annual Dursley Festival on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014, at which the group had a stand in the street, at the drop-in sessions held in key community venues, the Tabernacle Family Café on 16 July 2014 and the Dursley Day Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014. The board information was also used in September 2014 at a local Zumba Class and at the Transition Cam & Dursley Secret Garden Event.

The outcomes and feedback gathered from these consultation events was fed into the visioning and objectives work and a Steering Group workshop facilitated by the Gloucestershire Rural Community Council on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

Local residents have been able to find out more about Dursley's NDP at the last four Town Festivals and Annual Assemblies (2014-2017). Members of the Steering Group have been at each event with information boards and relevant NDP materials and maps.

The Annual Town Festival is a very popular and well attended event which is held in the Summer each year. Many local organisations have stalls in the centre of town and it has proved a useful way to speak to people seek their views on the NDP.

The Annual Assembly is a 'meeting of the town' and provides Dursley residents with the opportunity to raise matters of concern with local town, district and county councillors. Again this has provided the NDP Steering Group members with a way to talk to local residents about the NDP.

#### Creating a brand

In 2015 the Steering Group worked with a local business to create and design a distinctive brand for 'Future Dursley', the name given to the process that would create the plan for Dursley. The group felt that by having a separate, recognisable brand the plan could be easily recognised by the community. The community was invited to get involved and pick their favourite Future Dursley logo at the Annual Town Meeting in May.



#### Working with Stroud District Council

Throughout the process, the Steering Group worked closely with Stroud District Council, meetings were held to discuss ideas, housing issues and the call for sites process. There was ongoing dialogue to discuss early drafts of the plan. The group submitted a formal screening request regarding the need for a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) of the draft in January 2017. SDC provided its formal response in January 2018 stating that a SEA and HRA were not required as the NDP was unlikely to have any significant effects on the environment. The Neighbourhood Planning Officer at Stroud District Council has provided advice and guidance to the SG at regular stages during the development of the draft plan.

#### First full version of the draft plan

The first full version of the NDP was produced in January 2017. The Steering Group felt it was important to run a six-week consultation on this draft of the plan to publicise this as widely as possible. The plan was posted on the NDP pages of the Town Council's website, publicised on the 'Dursley Matters' Facebook Page and posters were placed on public noticeboards in and around the town.

#### Newsletter to householders

A need for a short summary leaflet was raised by the Steering Group in January 2017. The Steering Group were aware that at 67 pages long it would be unrealistic to expect all residents to read the plan. They felt it was important to try and reach every household in Dursley with information about the draft plan and to let them know how they could provide comments.

A short summary leaflet was produced which contained the vision, objectives and policy intentions for each topic. Details of the development strategy and proposed local green space designations in the draft NDP were also included together with a feedback form for residents to complete and return. This leaflet was delivered with a copy of the Town Council's newsletter to all households in Dursley (approximately 2,900). The number of responses was low at just over 20, however they were all supportive of the proposed local green space designations. A copy of the NDP summary leaflet and the spreadsheet which captures feedback is available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder**.

#### Local Green Spaces

Between April to June 2017, letters were sent to those residents living near potential Local Green Spaces, together with a map and form to fill in to ask for comments and statements of support or otherwise. Over 80 completed forms were received in respect of the proposed local green spaces designations. All responses were supportive of the green spaces designations. These are available as annexes to the Local Green Space Evidence Report.

#### Facilitated meeting with surrounding parishes

A meeting with some Steering Group members and representatives from surrounding parishes and the district council was held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2014. This event was facilitated by Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC). The purpose of the meeting was:

- To share Dursley's experience and findings, to date, in developing a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP):
- To identify any gaps in the findings;
- To discuss cross boundary issues; and
- Seek views on draft vision, objectives and key messages.

The importance of collaboration within and between surrounding parishes was noted, particularly as Dursley acts as the service centre for these areas and the town benefits from these residents using local facilities and shops.

All attendees were asked how and why their populations use Dursley. In response most said they use the local facilities in Dursley that are not available in their own parishes. Some also said they use the facilities in Wotton, or Nailsworth or Stroud. Other points raised related to the lack of parking at Cam and Dursley railway station and the need for improvements to public transport.

Comments raised during the discussion on the Vision/Objectives/Key Messages paper and cross boundary issues included:

1. Dursley is one of the few towns on the Cotswold Way and this should be reflected in the plan.

- 2. The community needs to be mixed with both old and young residents.
- 3. People moving in are less concerned about loss of local work as they have not known it.
- 4. There is a need to retain some local employment in the town.
- 5. As Dursley acts as the service centre for residents of surrounding parishes, it is vital to have sufficient town centre parking and for traffic to be able to move freely around the town.
- 6. The importance of the Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway as a safe cycle route via Rednock School and Cam and Dursley station was noted.

A detailed write-up for this meeting is available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder**.

The outcomes and feedback gathered was fed into the Steering Group's work on policy development and the workshop facilitated by the Gloucestershire Rural Community Council on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

Many of the points raised have been taken forward through the NDP:

- 1. The Cotswold Way is referenced in the vision for Dursley and the tourism growth for the town is supported by Policy E4 Visitor Accommodation.
- 2. Support for new and existing businesses, many of which provide local employment, is supported by the economic policies within the Plan E1 Safeguarding Employment Sites, E2 Encourage Start-up and New Businesses, E3 Town Centre and, E4 Visitor Accommodation.
- 3. The 'Potential Area for Enhancement 3' Reliance House Long Street was identified as a potential site for a new car park. Policy T1 Car parking supports 'improvements to the supply and quality of short and long stay car parking to support the town centre will be supported'.
- 4. There is a map of the Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway in the plan and Policy T2 supports improved connections for cyclists and pedestrians.

#### Landowners

In December 2014, the Steering Group discussed and agreed to start looking at potential development sites for housing, employment and community facilities. This was driven by a lack of large development sites within and around the town.

A list of land and sites (copy of the list is in the evidence folder) was drawn up with some taken from the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) 2011 and those which had been suggested by the public at consultation events. This list was discussed and agreed by the Steering Group early in 2015.

Site assessments would be undertaken using the checklist devised by Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC). In parallel with the site assessments the landowners would be contacted and informed about the NDP (copy of letter is in the evidence folder). A Steering Group representative met with the Principal Estate Surveyor at Stroud District Council to discuss potential development sites in February 2015. Copies of the completed site assessments are available on the NDP pages of the Town Council's website.

A 'call for sites 'notice was published in the local Gazette newspaper on June 2014 (copy of the notice is in the **Consultation evidence base folder**). A press release was placed on the Town Council's website and local noticeboards with a four-month window for landowners to propose sites for employment, housing development and community facilities. Hard copies of the notice were also given to the four estate agents within the town, Bennett Jones, RA Bennett, Besley Hill (now Hunters) and Walker Brothers.

These activities were undertaken to ensure all landowners had an opportunity to put forward sites through the Neighbourhood Development Plan process. Consultation on potential development sites formed a key strand of discussion with local residents at various NDP supported community events between May 2015 and September 2016.

One landowner responded to the letter regarding his land being proposed as a potential development site. A meeting was held with him and representatives of the Steering Group to discuss the site assessment and selection process and for him to let us know the extent of his interest in the suggested proposals for his site. The Steering Group received one site proposal in response to the 'call for sites' notice. This was added to the list of potential development sites.

In September 2016 the Steering Group agreed a development strategy which was to look only at sites within the current settlement development boundary. This is consistent and in conformity with the Stroud Local Plan. As a result of this decision by the Steering Group, they focused on four potential areas for enhancement within the town (essentially brownfield sites) and drafted a set of development principles for these. All other proposed development sites were discarded.

Landowners were also notified by letter (copy in the evidence folder) if their land had been put forward as a proposed local green space designation in the NDP. These included Stroud District Council, Dursley Town Council and one private landowner. The outcomes from this process are described fully in the **Local Green Space Designation Evidence Report.** 

In June 2017, representatives from the Steering Group, Stroud District Council and Place Studio met with Planning Consultants Bell Cornwell, who are acting on behalf of their clients Avant Homes, regarding a revised potential development for Land off Shakespeare Road. Bell Cornwell had requested that the site is either allocated as a site in the Dursley NDP or as a reserve allocation for the preferred direction of growth. The Steering Group agreed to proceed as planned and reconsider the site should the housing supply requirement for Dursley increase in the future.

#### **Businesses**

The Steering Group has worked hard to secure the views and input of the local business community in the NDP.

On 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 Steering Group representatives attended a meeting with Dursley Town Traders (now called Dursley Business Inclusive) at the Hummingbird café. This was attended by 9 traders. These meetings are held monthly and the discussion focuses largely on items related to trade, events and issues in the town.

About 15 suggestions and ideas were put forward and these are recorded in the meeting note. Many of the points raised have been taken forward through the NDP e.g. lack of tourism accommodation Planning Policy E4 supports proposals to convert existing residential properties in Dursley to Hotel/guesthouse Accommodation.

The NDP Business Survey was undertaken between August and October 2014. Over 350 questionnaires were delivered to local businesses. This exercise was carried out jointly with the neighbouring parish of Cam. The purpose of the survey was to find out both positive and negative aspects of running a business in the town and what businesses need in order to help them thrive and grow. A prize draw was used to encourage completion.

The response rate was disappointingly low at only 28 completed surveys returned. Some of the challenges of running a business in Dursley were identified as attracting new customers, parking and ease of access to the shops. Suggestions to help improve trading conditions within the town included events to draw more people into the town and better mix of businesses. The draft plan addresses these aspirations through Planning Policy E3 Town Centre.

Two Steering Group representatives (who were also both Town Councillors at the time) contacted all businesses at Littlecombe Business Park on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015. The purpose of the visit was to find out about their future business needs and how these might be addressed through the NDP. An in-depth discussion was held and the points raised during the meeting are recorded in a separate note (**copy in the Consultation Evidence Base Folder**)

In September 2016 a Steering Group representative attended a Dursley Business Inclusive Meeting to update them on progress with the NDP. The key point raised was that parking is a major concern for both businesses and residents.

Throughout the NDP process regular updates have been placed in Dursley Matters, the Town Council's quarterly newsletter, which is delivered to approximately 40 local businesses in the town.

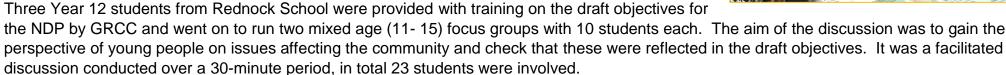
#### **Involving & Consulting Young People**

As the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) covers development for the next 20 years, the Steering Group were interested to know what young people in the town thought and how they would like to see Dursley develop.

#### **Working with Rednock School**

In June 2015 Rednock School got involved in the NDP project when three Year 12 students carried out some NDP site assessments and a shop audit for the Steering Group as part of their work experience. The students also designed and carried out a Town Centre survey which covered travel, accessibility to the town centre and town improvement ideas.

On 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015, following on from this work, Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC) facilitated a focus group discussion with Dursley students at Rednock Secondary School to gain the perspective of young people aged 11 to 15 years on the draft vision and objectives for the NDP.



Some of the issues raised by the students in relation to the draft vision and objectives included:

- The surrounding countryside is nice to look at
- More green space is needed
- Highfields could look better
- Better skate park
- Permanent football pitch
- Improve general highstreet/Long street
- Public transport is expensive
- More frequent bus services
- Cinema
- Most local employment is in schools, hospital and supermarkets.



The issues raised by the students which were considered by the Steering Group at their meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015. The meeting resulted in some revisions to the draft NDP Vision and Objectives.

In July 2016 the Steering Group had the benefit of two Year 12 students who spent a week completing proposed Local Green Space Designations templates. The students also repeated the Town Centre Survey from June 2015, and the results were analysed for both years by the students. The results were used to inform and help develop future Town Centre projects and policies.

#### **Working with Dursley C of E Primary Academy School**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016 members of the Steering Group attended the Dursley C of E Primary Academy School to carry out 2 facilitated sessions with 20 students aged from 4-11 years. The sessions were designed to be interactive and to:

- raise awareness of Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan amongst younger people in the town,
- encourage interest and involvement of younger people in the neighbourhood plan,
- seek the views of young people on the green spaces in and around the town.

#### On 1st July 2016:

- 1.) They were asked if they could name the green spaces (parks and informal green spaces) in a set of 10 photographs.
- 2.) They were asked if they could find the parks and green spaces on the map.
- 3.) A short survey was undertaken of their favourite green spaces and parks.
- 4.) They were asked to draw a picture of their favourite green space or woods.

#### Results of the short survey

- 1. Which parks do you go to in Dursley? The rec was the most popular, then Highfields, followed by Cambridge Avenue.
- 2. What do you like most about the parks? The most popular item the children liked was the Zip Wire (at the rec) and playing football ay the rec & Highfields), followed by swings and climbing frames.
- 3. Is there anything you don't like about the parks? There were only 4 dislikes traffic noise, poor condition of football pitches at the rec and Highfields.
- 4. Do you use any other green spaces or woods? Highfields was the most popular, followed by all woods and the sculpture trail.
- 5. What do you like about these green spaces or woods? Peace and quiet, the space, climbing trees and building dens.
- 6. What do you dislike about these green spaces or woods? There were only two replies the amount of rubbish and one child suffers from hay fever.

These results confirm the importance of green spaces for young people and have helped to inform the proposed local green space designations in the draft NDP.

#### On 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016:

- 5.) They were shown photographs of a range of different types of houses in Dursley and asked if they knew where these were.
- 6.) The children were then asked to locate the roads these houses were on maps of the town.
- 7.) Each group then had a focused discussion about different aspects of the Housing topic using a prompt sheet.
- 8.) The children were asked to draw a picture of the house they would like be living in in 20 years' time.

#### Feedback from the children raised during the activities undertaken during the session on Housing

- 1. Many of the children had a good knowledge of where the houses in the photographs were located on maps of the town.
- 2. The main aspirations for their future homes were that these would be big enough to accommodate their families.
- 3. The majority of children were aware of the different types and size of houses and different housing needs for those in the community.
- 4. Awareness amongst the children about different forms of energy and specifically renewable energy were varied.

The housing policies in the NDP are supportive of points 2 and 3 raised by the children.

It was noted that the children had been engaged and enthusiastic about the topics in discussions during these sessions. The sessions had been useful in raining awareness of the NDP amongst children in the town.

#### **Youth Forum**

On 4th October 2016 three representatives of the Cam and Dursley Youth Forum attended the Dursley Town Council meeting and gave a short presentation including what they liked and disliked about the local area

Their likes included "beautiful place to live", "the Rec", "The Vibe Youth Centre", "public services" and "public spaces".

Their dislikes included "dirty alleys leading from Long Street", poor timetables and connection for bus services and the Train station, traffic in the morning and a number of run-down buildings (particularly along Silver Street).

The Cam and Dursley Youth Forum were invited to attend a couple of NDP Steering Group Meetings. Unfortunately they were unable to attend on both occasions due to unforeseen circumstances. A copy of the draft plan was sent to the Forum via drop box, no response was received.

#### PART 2

#### **Consultation on Pre-submission Draft (Regulation 14)**

This section of the Consultation Statement outlines the approach taken by the Steering Group to consult on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) at the Regulation 14 stage of the process. Several methods were adopted to ensure that all relevant bodies and parties were informed of the consultation period, as well as ensuring that local residents were made aware of the consultation period and provided with opportunities to provide their views and comments.

The consultation period ran for 9 weeks from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018, the additional 3 weeks over the statutory requirement, was allowed to take account of the Christmas holiday period.

#### **Website & Social Media**

During the consultation period the Draft Plan was advertised and available for download, along with supporting documents and a feedback form, from Dursley Town Council's website at <a href="www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html">www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html</a>. Various methods on how to view and comment on the Draft Plan were detailed on the website to encourage as many responses as possible.

A website news item publicising the consultation, was published on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017, this was also automatically shared on Dursley Town Council's Facebook and Twitter pages as well as the local 'Dursley Matters' and 'Dursley Natters' Facebook pages, obtaining a reach of 2,474 people for Facebook and 180 Twitter followers.

The website page, Facebook and Twitter were all used throughout the consultation period at various times. Copies of all the consultation publicity material can be found in Appendix E.

#### **Contacting Statutory Bodies**

In November 2017 a letter was sent out to all statutory bodies as supplied by Stroud District Council. A list of these statutory bodies is available in Appendix B.

The letter informed the statutory bodies of the commencement of the consultation period and the deadline for comments. These contacts involved numerous bodies that the Steering Group and Stroud District Council believe will be affected by the Neighbourhood Plan such as Gloucestershire County Council, Gloucestershire Constabulary, Historic England, Natural England, the Highways Agency and the Environment Agency. The letter was also sent to neighbouring parish councils.

The letter notified recipients of the Neighbourhood Plan's availability on Dursley Town Council's website and highlighted several methods available to submit comments on the Draft Plan. The contents of the letter sent can be seen in Appendix C.

#### **Documents**

The Draft Plan and supporting documents, including a feedback form, were available to view and download from Dursley Town Council's website at <a href="https://www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html">www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html</a>.

In addition to this, hard copies of the Draft Plan and feedback form were placed at Dursley Town Council offices, in the reception area, and at Dursley Library and were available to view throughout the consultation period.

The feedback form (Appendix D) was also included alongside an article in the November 2017 edition of the Dursley Matters newsletter, approx. 527 copies of which are placed in 59 public outlets around the town.

#### Consultation 'drop-in' events

As part of the Regulation 14 consultation, the following drop in sessions were held:

Methodist Church, Stroud Local Plan Review Event – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2017 9:30am-12:30pm

Dursley Library – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 3:30pm-6:30pm

Sainsbury's Foyer – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018 9:30am-12:30pm

The drop-in sessions had a number of display boards providing an overview of the broad content of the plan. The boards contained the vision and objectives for each theme and a selection of photographs to help illustrate key aspects of the plan. Hard copies of the draft plan were also available for visitors to view. Steering Group members were on hand to talk to people at each event and attendees were invited to make comment on policies and the draft plan either by writing them on post-it notes and sticking them on the display boards under relevant policies or by completing a response form.

The drop-in events were promoted in the local area via posters on notice boards, on Facebook and the website www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html. . Copies of all the consultation publicity material can be found in Appendix E.

#### **Posters & Further Publicity**

The Regulation 14 consultation period in general was advertised throughout key points in the town using posters. This was in addition to use of the website and social media outlined above. A copy of the poster can be found in Appendix E, along with copies of all the consultation publicity material.

The consultation was also advertised in the November 2017 edition of the 'Dursley Matters' newsletter, of which approx. 527 copies are delivered to 59 public outlets around the town and 48 people on the e-mail list for electronic copies. This edition also contained a loose copy of the feedback form.

On 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 an article in the local Gazette newspaper advertised the consultation period. The article explained how people could view the plan and make comments.

#### **Regulation 14 Consultee Comments & Responses**

The Steering Group received a total of 80 responses both verbal and written to the pre-submission Neighbourhood Development Plan consultation from a mixture of statutory consultees, local developers and members of the local community.

The responses were considered by the Steering Group and where appropriate amendments to the plan were made. Those consultees who submitted detailed responses were given feedback.

The responses overall did not raise any substantial objections to the content of the pre-submission draft plan. The vision, objectives and policies within the plan appeared to already support many of the issues and concerns raised during the consultation therefore no major changes were made, only minor adjustments.

The Steering Group has found the lack of significant objections to the content of the plan to be a common theme which runs throughout the consultation process from the very start.

A summary table of the responses is included as Appendix F. Copies of detailed responses received, and additional information is available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder** and the **Comments Schedule**.

#### **Appendices**

Appendix A – Table of Consultation Events & Activities (Consultation Statement Part 1)

Appendix B – Regulation 14 List of statutory consultees

Appendix C – Regulation 14 Letter to statutory consultees

Appendix D – Regulation 14 Feedback form

Appendix E – Regulation 14 Consultation publicity material

Appendix F – Regulation 14 Table of Consultee Comments & Responses (Consultation Statement Part 2)

### **APPENDIX A - Table of Consultation Events & Activities (Consultation Statement Part 1)**

A summary table listing consultation and engagement events and activities in chronological order is included below. Copies of consultation material including publicity, letters, relevant minutes, survey findings, write-ups and reports are available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder.** 

Part 1 Table: Consultation Events & Activities

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
December 2013 - February 2014	Area Designation applied for under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.	Stroud District Council Website – 6 Week statutory period.		During the 6 week consultation period, no objections were received to the Neighbourhood Area as outlined in the initial application. Therefore, on 4th February 2014 Stroud District Council confirmed that Dursley Town Council could proceed with the preparation of a NDP for the parish of Dursley.
28 <sup>th</sup> January 2014	Facilitated Public Workshop Event – Undertaking a NDP for Dursley.  Dursley Town Council & Cam Parish Council worked together to coordinate the event which was facilitated by GRCC.	Open public invitation, publicised via newsletter, posters on town centre/community group noticeboards, flyer to businesses, targeted invitation letters/emails & press release.		Those attending decided that the best action for Dursley would be to form a Steering Group to take forward the Neighbourhood Development Plan process and work.  Agreed a Terms of Reference for the Steering Group.  Members of the Steering Group members were agreed (10 volunteer residents/councillors stepped forward on the night).
10 <sup>th</sup> May 2014	Farmers Market Survey & picture stand — to raise awareness of NDP seek feedback on the type of development/ improvements needed in Dursley, likes & dislikes, aspirations.	Picture stand & face to face survey at the Farmers Market on the day.	Completed survey forms from 46 residents.	Survey results raised key issues/themes as follows:  - Employment priority over housing.  - More green space provision.  - More parking.  - Traffic & transportation (Silver Street & Bus Station).  - Need for town centre refurbishment & commercial development.  - Design preference for older style homes.  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
8 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	Dursley Town Traders (Now Dursley Business Inclusive) Meeting – to raise awareness & seek comments & ideas to be considered in the NDP process.	Item included on the Traders Meeting Agenda. The monthly meetings are organised by traders & are open to all operating in the town.	Approximately 9 Dursley traders attended the meeting & gave feedback which was recorded.	Key Trader issues identified:  Old dairy site could be developed.  Lack of long stay parking & tourist accommodation.  Business growth/small start-ups.  Visual appeal of Castle Street is poor.  Feedback reported to Steering Group 9/7/14.  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)
12 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	Dursley Festival Stand – to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to themes/topics using set headings/ questions.	NDP Public Information Stand at the Festival on the day.	Feedback was recorded from residents & people visiting Dursley on the day using post it notes & sticky dots on boards.	The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)
16 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	Tabernacle Family Café Informal Drop in Session - to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to themes/topics using set headings/ questions.	Steering Group arranged event with Café organisers.	Feedback recorded from approximately 20 residents on the day. 45 comments recorded.	Feedback identified issues including:  - The need for affordable homes  - Development to fit in with existing types & styles  - Business start-up units/pop up outlets.  - Importance of green spaces  - Improvements to public transport & linkages  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14).

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
16 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	Community Street Access Audit Meeting – to recruit local volunteers & engage the community to help carry out audits, to gather information for the NDP.	Poster advertising the event on noticeboards and circulated locally. Gazette article published on 30/6/14.	15 volunteers were recruited overall. This included 2 members of Council staff, 2 Councillors and 11 members of the public.	Street Access Audits were completed for 12 routes within the town.  The Access Audits provided a useful information base of 'grot spots' within the Parish.  Some results have been used by DTC in comments made on planning applications e.g. Land off Shakespeare Road.  Results have also been shared with Gloucestershire County Council Highways Department.  Volunteers were informed about how the results would be used. However, the final spreadsheet is too large to use effectively on the Town Council's website.
July – August 2014	Estate Agent Survey & conversations - to seek feedback on the local housing market, customer demands/ needs.	Survey questionnaires left with 3 Estate Agents in Town for approx. 1 month.	Feedback recorded from 1 Estate Agent. (Surveys were returned from potential buyers, potential incomers & existing residents)	Of returned survey, 90% of those looking to buy were newcomers to area. The top 3 reasons they gave for wanting to move to the area were 1) house prices, 2) Location in relation to work 3) proximity to surrounding countryside/green space.  Conversations with Estate agents had suggested that there was increase in demand for buy-to let properties.  Feedback reported to Steering Group 13/8/14.  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14).
1 <sup>st</sup> August 2014	Dursley Day Centre Informal Drop in Session - to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to themes/topics using set headings/ questions.	Steering Group arranged event with Day Centre organisers.	Feedback recorded from approximately 20 residents on the day. 60 comments recorded.	Feedback identified issues including:  - Importance of green spaces - Importance of bus station - No more tall houses  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
August 2014	Business Survey  Dursley & Cam NDP Steering Groups worked together to coordinate the survey.	Survey form with 32 questions relating to business activity, staff, employment, key challenges, needs, premises and employment land. Raffle prize offered.	Surveys were delivered to 350 Business owners in Dursley.  28 completed surveys were returned (9.8%).	Feedback identified issues including:  - Lack of town centre parking (long stay) Need for more business units (Littlecombe) 68% said that existing premises meet current demand & likely future demand, 14% of premises will not (or unlikely to meet future need).  The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14). (Press release on results issued 31 October 2014)
10 <sup>th</sup> September 2014	Zumba Class – to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to themes/topics using set headings/ questions.	Arranged by member of the Steering Group	Feedback recorded from 9 residents on the day.	57 comments recorded. For detailed comments see consultation write up. Feedback identified issues including: - The need for family homes - Importance of transport links - Importance of gardens & green space The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)
20 <sup>th</sup> September 2014	Transition Cam & Dursley event- to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to themes/topics using set headings/ questions.	Steering Group arranged to attend with Transition Cam & Dursley rep.	3 core members of the group's Secret Garden Working party.	53 comments recorded. For detailed comments see consultation write up. Feedback identified many issues including:  - The need for affordable/low cost homes - Ecological & sustainable design - Importance of decent size gardens - Strong support for use of community buildings The outcomes were fed into visioning & objectives work & workshop (8/10/14)  BBC radio Gloucestershire broadcast went out to raise awareness as part of meeting.
8 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	GRCC facilitated Workshop to start to develop Vision & Objectives	Steering Group Members invited	8 Steering Group Members, plus 3 supporting officers/ consultants	Collation of findings so far. Start of work to develop Vision & Objectives. First working draft of Vision & Objectives produced.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
26 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	Facilitated Meeting with Representatives from Surrounding Parishes to discuss Dursley's approach & to seek their comments & thoughts on the findings so far, any cross boundary issues also the draft Vision & Objectives.	Letter Invitation from NDP Steering Group sent to Chairman and Clerks of surrounding 6 parishes.	14 people attended (including Stroud District Council Neighbourhood Planning Officer & reps from the following councils: Uley, Cam, Slimbridge, North Nibley)	The top cross boundary issues identified were:  The importance of Dursley as a service centre for surrounding parishes (banks, shops, school, pool, library) (having free flowing traffic & sufficient parking was highlighted during discussion)  Lack of adequate parking, bus & cycle facilities at Cam & Dursley Station  The Greenway cycle route from Uley, via Rednock to Dursley & Cam station  Flooding & the potential risk for Uley, Dursley & Cam  Feedback reported to Steering Group Meeting 12/12/14.
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	GRCC facilitated Workshop to develop Policies.	Steering Group Members invited	8 Steering Group Members, plus 3 supporting officers/ consultants	Start of work to develop policies.  Format & components of plan discussed.  'Next Steps' paper used as basis for discussion, evidence & consultation feedback to date drawn upon.  Next steps agreed.
20 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Meeting with Littlecombe Business Park Directors & Employees.	Flyer hand delivered to all businesses located on the Littlecombe Business Park	2 Steering Group volunteers (both were also Town Councillors) who met with 5 Directors/ Managers & senior employees of businesses.	Main conclusions:  - Urgent need for more business land/units on Littlecombe. There is demand!  - Problems with access, parking & security on site.  - Businesses will leave if demand is not met.
13 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	Development of Future Dursley Branding – to develop a distinctive, recognisable brand for the NDP & raise awareness in process.	Logo designs were shared at a Town Council meeting and the Annual Town Meeting, also via a Future Dursley Newsletter given out.	Councillors & local residents.	Design concept 3 received the most votes at the Annual Town Meeting.  Feedback was considered by the Steering Group on 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 and the concept 3 logo was adopted.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
19 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	Annual Town Meeting stand — to raise awareness of NDP seeking feedback relating to themes/topics using headings set questions.	Notices about the Annual Town Meeting were placed on Notice Boards around the Town. This event was also advertised on the Town Council's website.	Local residents, community organisations and some businesses.	There had been interest in the Future Dursley NDP project from those who had looked at the display boards and taken a copy of the newsletter.
Site Appraisals				
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2015  27 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	Call for Sites – advert aimed at property & landowners to propose potential sites for development.  Dursley Town Festival	Advertisement in local press (Gazette), & notice on website.  The Project Officer visited & briefed Local Estate Agents.  Festival advertised	4 estate/letting agents were briefed. 2 Landowners came forward in response to the Call.  Feedback was recorded	the site assessment process: - Henlow House
	Stand – to raise awareness & seek feedback on the draft Vision & Objectives & potential development sites.	widely. 'Future Dursley' flyers on public noticeboards, Sainsbury's & the Library. NDP Public Information Stand at the Festival on the day.	from residents & people visiting Dursley on the day using post it notes, face to face conversations with NDP volunteers.	Comments were made on the following sites: Hardings Drive, Kingshill Inn, The Old Dairy, Castle Street (back of shops), Land at Bottom of Long St (Bymacks), Land off Broadway, Bus Station, Land off Acacia Drive, 11/11A May Lane, Blackboys Farm, Land behind Shakespeare Rd, Littlecombe.
9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Littlecombe Development Drop in Event Stand (This was held jointly with Cam) – to raise awareness & seek feedback on the draft Vision & Objectives & potential development sites.	Poster on noticeboards, circulated to local groups, Dursley Town Council website & local Facebook pages.	Local Cam and Dursley residents.	No comments were made on the draft vison or objectives. Comments were made on the following potential developments sites:  Land at the Bottom of Long Street  Bus station  Land off Shakespeare Road  Land off Hardings Drive  Land behind the Old Bell and Dil Raj.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Town Centre Survey designed by Rednock Students. The survey asked questions related to shops, facilities, experience & parking	Rednock students introduced the survey on the day, face to face.	2 groups of 15 students carrying out the survey. 110 visitors to Parsonage Street gave responses.	The students analysed the results and produced reports for 2015 & 2016, when the survey was repeated.  In 2015 the main attraction to the town centre was shopping. Main <b>likes</b> included: friendly atmosphere, shopping facilities & historic buildings. Suggested <b>improvements</b> included: employment opportunities, greater choice of restaurants, lower speed limits, more seating & bins & more parking.
10 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Rednock School Students Focus Group Discussion – to gain the perspective of young people (11- 15) on the draft vision & objectives.	Working with the school, GRCC facilitated group work with Dursley students during the school day.	3 year 12 students helped to facilitate 2 mixed age sessions of 10 students. (23 students in total)	47 points were raised. These were considered by the Steering Group at their meeting on 21st October 2015 & some revisions were made to the draft Vision & Objectives.
13 <sup>th</sup> April 2016	Place Studio facilitated Workshop to review evidence & policy development.	Steering Group Members invited	Steering Group members	The evidence was reviewed, weaknesses & further work was identified. Place Studio produced Policy Development Tables.  Outcomes were considered by the Steering Group at their meeting on 18th May 2016.
24 <sup>th</sup> May 2016	Annual Assembly (Annual Town Meeting) – stand with	Event advertised on poster placed on Noticeboards around the Town and town Council website.	2 Town Councillors, 2 representatives from community organisations & 4 members of the public.	The consultees were asked 'open' questions about future housing, business development & potential development sites. They were also asked questions about what they like and dislike about Dursley.  They liked: - the friendly community - active Town Council - a great place with lovely views.  They disliked: - poor public transport - insufficient car parking in new developments - the town lacks confidence.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
25 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	Annual Town Festival Stand – To provide an update on project progress to residents, community organisations and businesses. To consult on Local Green Spaces & Potential development sites.	Town Council website. NDP Public Information Stand at the Festival on the day.	Over 65 people in total provided comments. 30 were comments on green spaces .35 comments related to proposed development sites and other NDP topic areas.	For detailed comments see consultation write up. Feedback reported to Steering Group meeting on 13th July 2016. In summary:  • More affordable & cheaper housing  • Retain the bus station  • A safe cycle route to the train station would be useful.  • Silver street pinchpoint should be addressed.  • Additional long stay parking is required  • Visual impact of some of the shops should be improved.  • The Littlecombe Housing Development needs to be to the town via a footpath for pedestrian access.
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Town Centre Survey designed by Rednock Students. This was a repeat of the 2015 survey asking questions related to shops, facilities, experience & parking.	Rednock students introduced the survey on the day, face to face.	2 groups of 15 students carrying out the survey. 83 visitors to Parsonage Street gave responses on the day.	The students analysed the results and produced a report for 2016, they also produced a summary report comparing the survey results for 2015 & 2016.  In 2016 the main attraction to the town centre was shopping. Main <b>likes</b> included: friendly atmosphere, shops & flower beds. Suggested <b>improvements</b> included: raiseable bollards on Parsonage St, more free parking, range of shops, more facilities for young people.
1 <sup>st</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Dursley Primary Academy School Workshop activities designed to raise awareness of NDP, encourage interest & to seek views of young people.	Project Officer & Steering Group volunteer facilitated group work with students during the school day with the help of teachers.	20-25 children (aged 4-11) participated.	For detailed comments see consultation write up. In summary: *The Rec was most popular play space, Highfields was 2 <sup>nd</sup> *They disliked traffic noise, poor condition of football pitches & rubbish. *They used Highfields, all woods & sculpture trail & liked peace & quiet, space, climbing trees & building dens. *They liked 1) zip wires 2) football 3) swings 4) climbing. *Future homes should be big enough for their families *The majority were aware of different types of housing. *Awareness about energy & renewable energy was varied

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2016	Transition Cam & Dursley Flower & Produce Show NDP stand — to raise awareness of NDP & seek feedback relating to: draft vision & objectives; proposed local green space designations & development sites; important views & landscapes in & around the town; draft policies for environment & housing.	The NDP Steering Group attendance at this event was advertised on the Town Council website & Facebook page prior to the event.	Feedback was recorded from 30 people in total.	For detailed comments see consultation write up. In summary:  No comments on the draft vision & objectives; Strong support for proposed local green space designations Various comments on proposed development sites. All-important views & landscapes were supported. There was strong support for the draft Environment policies.  The comments in support of the important views and landscape have helped to inform policy ES3 – Key Views and Landscape. The feedback in support of LGSD have been fed into the LGSD evidence base.
9 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	Dursley Business Inclusive (DBI) AGM. A Steering Group member attended & provided an update on NDP progress.	Letter sent to all local businesses. DBI had invited an NDP representative to attend the meeting which was open to all local businesses. All DBI members were sent a copy of the Agenda in advance of the meeting.	9 local business owners attended the meeting, along with 2 members of the Carnival Committee.	The group looked at the draft vision and points were clarified by the Steering Group representative. Parking was discussed as a major concern.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
10th September 2016	Dursley Farmers' Market – to raise awareness of NDP, seek views on vision & objectives, proposed development sites & green space designation	Information stand & face to face discussions at the Farmers Market on the day.	Dursley residents & general public.	More affordable housing was raised as a concern and particularly for those with a local connection. These comments have helped to inform Housing Policies H1 and H2.
January 2017	First Full Working Draft NDP Consultation.	Public notices inviting comment on working draft — Council website, Facebook page, Newsletter & notice board. Copy of draft plan sent to all neighbouring parish councils.	Dursley residents & general public.	Detailed comments raised by two residents mainly concerning Potential Area for Enhancement 1 -Old Dairy/Prospect Place/May Lane. Site visit by SG members & Place Studio resulted in revised commentary about this area in draft plan.  These residents also informed the SG about an error in one of the Dursley Urban Design Framework Maps. The Map was revised and replaced with a correct version in the draft plan.
February 2017	Letter to landowners re: proposed green space designations.	Lettered delivered to the relevant landowners.	4 Letters were delivered to the relevant landowners. Only 1 landowner responded.	Dursley Town Council, as the landowner, supported the designation of Kingshill Play Park as a green space. The Council did not support the designation of the War Memorial Recreation Ground, not wanting to restrict the potential of the ground for future improvements to recreational & community facilities. No response from the landowner of the Land off Hardings Drive. Stroud District Council responded in March 2018. This is fully documented in the Local Green Space Designation Evidence Report.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
March/April 2017	Householder leaflet – to raise awareness of the plan & progress to date; the vision, objectives & policies; proposed green space designation & development & to seek comments/feedback.	Leaflet on Future Dursley, printed & delivered to households across Dursley.	Approx. 2910 Dursley households.  20 responses received from residents.	All responses were supportive of the proposed green space designations. Several comments were made about the importance of sufficient & free parking for town visitors.  Responses were fed into the Local Green Space Designation Evidence Report – September 2017 and the draft NDP. 8 green space designations were included in the plan.
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2017	Annual Assembly (Annual Town Meeting) — picture stand with information on 9 proposed green space designations & 4 potential development locations.	Annual Assembly Posters.	35 people attended, 22 were Dursley local government electors.	Attendance at the Annual Town Meeting had resulted in 12 stickers in support of the proposed green space designations.  Responses were fed into the Local Green Space Designation Evidence Report – September 2017 and the draft NDP. 8 green space designations were included in the plan.
May 2017	Letter to householders re: proposed green space designations, with map & comments form.	Letters delivered to householders adjoining green spaces	letters were delivered, 84 residents responded.	All responses, apart from 1 unsure, were supportive of the proposed green space designations.  Responses were fed into the Local Green Space Designation Evidence Report – September 2017 and the draft NDP. 8 green space designations were included in the plan.

Date	Consultation Approach/purpose	How Publicised	Who was engaged	Feedback/Outcomes
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Dursley Carnival information stall. 1)Raise awareness 2)Discuss Development Strategy 3)Seek views on proposed local green space designations	NDP Display Boards with general information about the project & photos of all nine proposed local green spaces.	Local residents & Visitors	27 responses in support for all nine green spaces. Plus additional support for Kingshill House Play Park (2), Land off Hardings Drive (2), Long Street Town Green (2) Holywell Orchard (1).  Other comments: More employment needed in town. (NDP economy policies support businesses). NDP should be publicised in the Gazette
Winter 2013 Spring 2014, Winter 2014 Summer 2015 Winter 2015 Spring 2016, Summer 2016 Autumn 2016 Winter 2016/17 Spring 2017 Summer 2017	Dursley Matters Newsletter Articles — to raise awareness, keep the public informed & encourage involvement.	Quarterly public newsletter issued in print & electronically by Dursley Town Council.	General public.	Print run of approx. 527. Copies distributed across 59 public outlets. Shared electronically on the Council's website & on the popular 'Dursley Matters' Facebook page which has 6676 members and 'Dursley Natters' Facebook page which has 4093 members. 48 subscribed to the e-mail list for electronic copies.
May 2015 May 2016	Future Dursley Newsletter – to raise awareness, keep the public informed & encourage involvement.	The newsletter was printed & given out at relevant events.	General public.	Copies given out at Annual Town Meeting in May 2015 & May 2016.

November 2017- January 2018 Regulation 14 Consultation – see Part 2 & Appendices B to F

# **APPENDIX B - Regulation 14 List of Statutory Consultees**

Statutory Consultee	Consultee Type
Stroud District Council – Neighbourhood Planning Officer	Public Body
Stroud District Council – Tenant Services	Public Body
Stroud District Council – Conservation Officer	Public Body
Stroud District Council – Biodiversity Officer	Public Body
Historic England	Public Body
Gloucestershire County Council	Public Body
Environment Agency	Public Body
Natural England	Public Body
Slimbridge Parish Council	Neighbouring Parish
Stinchcombe Parish Council	Neighbouring Parish
Uley Parish Council	Neighbouring parish
North Nibley Parish Council	Neighbouring Parish
Coaley Parish Council	Neighbouring parish
Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue Services	Public Body
Gloucestershire Constabulary – Community Engagement	Public Body
Gloucestershire Police and Crime Commissioner	Public Body
Homes and Community Agency	Public Body
Highways England	Public Body
NHS England – Bath, Glos, Swindon & Wilts	Public Body
Gloucestershire PCT	Public Body
Director of Public Health for Gloucestershire	Public Body
NHS Gloucestershire	Public Body
Gloucestershire Health and Wellbeing Board	Public Body
Sports England	Public Body
Sustrans	Other consultees
Confederation of British Industry	Other consultees
Federation of Small Business	Other consultees
GFirst Local Enterprise Partnership	Other Consultees
Above Net Communications	Infrastructure
Three	Infrastructure
O2 (UK) Telefonica UK Ltd	Infrastructure

Statutory Consultee	Consultee Type
T Mobile UK Ltd	Infrastructure
Tiscali UK Ltd	Infrastructure
Telewest Communications (Cotswold) Ltd	Infrastructure
Orange Personal Communication Services	Infrastructure
BT Group PLC	Infrastructure
AT&T Telecommunications	Infrastructure
EE	Infrastructure
Vodafone and O2	Infrastructure
CPRE	Other Comsultees
Cotswold Conservation Board	Other Consultees
National Trust (Stroud Centre)	Other Consultees
RSPB	Other Consultees
Severn Wye Energy Agency	Other Consultees
Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust	Other Consultees
Stroud Youth Council	Other Consultees
Cotswold Canals Trust	Other Consultees
Home Builders Federation	Other Consultees
National Housing Federation	Other Consultees
Road Haulage Association	Other Consultees
All Sorts (Charity)	Other Consultees
Carers Alliance	Other Consultees
Adult Carers United	Other Consultees
Gloucestershire Older Persons Association	Other Consultees
Gloucestershire Voices	Other Consultees
Disability Rights UK	Other Consultees
Western Power	Infrastructure
Wessex Water	Infrastructure
Severn Trent	Infrastructure
United Utilities Network Ltd	Infrastructure
Bristol Waters PLC	Infrastructure
The Gas Transport	Infrastructure
SSE Pipeline Ltd	Infrastructure
ES Pipeline Ltd	Infrastructure

Statutory Consultee	Consultee Type
British Gas Connections	Infrastructure
National Grid	Infrastructure
Wales & West Utilities	Infrastructure
Npower Centre	Infrastructure

## **APPENDIX C - Regulation 14 Letter to Statutory Consultee (sample)**







Dear-Consultee,¶ 10<sup>th</sup>-November-2017¶ GL20-4ND-¶ Gloucestershire-¶ Tewkesbury-¶ Northway-Lane¶ Riversmeet-House¶ West-Area-Office¶ Environment-Agency1

Pre-submission-consultation¶ FUTURE:DURSLEY:NEIGHBOURHOOD:DEVELOPMENT:PLAN¶

we-are-hereby-seeking-your-views-on-the-Draft-NDP.-The-plan-can-be-viewed-online-aton-request.-¶ <u>www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html</u>-.-A-hard-copy-can-be-provided Neighbourhood-Development-Plan-for-Dursley. - As-a-body-that-we-are-required-to-consult, -Neighbourhood-Planning (general)-Regulations-2012, Future-Dursley-Neighbourhood As-part-of-the-requirements-of-the-Localism-Act-2011 and-Regulation-14-of-the Development-Steering-Group-is-undertaking-Pre-Submission-Consultation-on-the-Draft-

or-sent-by-post-to-the-address-below. ¶ attached-form-and-either-be-emailed-to-Anita-Gambie-at-<u>ndp@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk¶</u> representations is 5pm on Friday 12th January 2018. Representations can be made on the The-pre-submission-consultation-runs-for-a-period-of-nine-weeks.-The-closing-date-for-

Dursley-Town-Council---¶ Project-Officer¶ Anita-Gambie¶ Yours-sincerely¶

Contact:·Future-Dursley,·Neighbourhood·Development·Plan,·c/o-Dursley·Town-Council,· Castle-Street, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11-4BS.¶ Email: ndp@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk¶ Telephone: 01453-547758¶

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# Regulation 14 Consultation Feedback Form

Please send your comments to Future Dursley NDP c/o Dursley Town Council, Jacob's

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Comments must be received by 17:00 pm on 12th January 2018

## **APPENDIX E - Regulation 14 Consultation Publicity**

## **Dursley Town Council Website News Items & Facebook Posts:**



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## Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan - Have Your Say

Posted: Mon, 30 Oct 2017 13:27 by Anita Gambie

A comprehensive plan aimed at guiding future development in Dursley is making good progress towards the final stages. Following more than three vears of hard work by a group of dedicated volunteers, Dursley's Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is ready for a Regulation 14 Pre -Submission Consultation, before being submitted for formal examination, to Stroud District Council. Several parishes in the Stroud District - including Kingswood- have had similar plans implemented after they received final approval in parish referendums and Dursley is in line to hold a parish referendum in 2018.



The draft plan is based upon evidence-based research and extensive community consultation. It covers such issues as location, design and traffic associated with any development in the town.

The latest version of the plan is available for the people of Dursley to examine or comment on either online at www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html or as a hard copy at the Library or Town council











Telephone: 01453 547758 Email: clerk@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk



## **Posts on Facebook Promoting the Drop-in Sessions:**





## Posters used to Promote the Regulation 14 Consultation & the Library Drop-in Session:







# FUTURE DURSLEY

Our Neighbourhood Plan

Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan Statutory Regulation 14 Consultation

Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group has now completed the draft Neighbourhood Plan and we invite you to submit your comments and suggestions as part of the consultation process.

This statutory consultation will run from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 until 5pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Please view the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents on the Town Council's website <a href="https://www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html">www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html</a>

Paper copies are available to view at the following locations:

Dursley Town Council Offices Jacob's House

Castle Street Dursley Dursley Library May Lane Dursley GL11 4JH

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Please submit your comments by completing a feedback from (available on the above website or from the Town Council/Library) and sending it in one of the following ways

By Post: Future Dursley NDP c/o Dursley Town Council

Address as above or email: ndp@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk



### FUTURE-DURSLEY-NEIGHBOURHOOD-DEVELOPMENT-PLAN¶ 2017--2031¶

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See-what-it's-all-about¶ Come-and-have-your-say!¶

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Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan 2017 - 2031









Pre-Submission Draft Version November 2017



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www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html

## **News Articles – Dursley Matters Newsletter & Gazette Newspaper:**

Dursley Matters article – Autumn 2017

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## Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

Following more than three years of hard work by a group of dedicated volunteers, Dursley's Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is making good progress towards the final stages.



Photo: Members of the NDP Steering Group with a copy of the draft plan.

The draft plan is ready for a further round of public consultation (called Statutory Regulation 14), before being submitted for formal examination, to Stroud District Council. Several parishes in the Stroud District – including Kingswood- have had similar plans implemented after they received final approval in parish referendums and Dursley is in line to hold a parish referendum in 2018.

The draft plan is based upon evidence-based research and extensive community consultation. It covers such issues as location, design and traffic associated with any development in the town. If approved the NDP will guide all development in Dursley until 2031.

The latest version of the plan is available for the people of Dursley to examine or comment on either online at

www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan.html or as a hard copy at the Library or Town Council offices. Dursley Matters article - Winter January 2018

the Central Ward.



**Future Dursley Update** 

Dursley's Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is in the final stages of the drafting process.

The latest round of public consultation on the draft plan, known as 'Regulation 14 Pre-Submission', is now closed. A summary of all the feedback and the Neighbourhood Plan response to items raised will be published shortly.

The Steering Group hopes to submit the draft plan for formal examination to Stroud District Council in March 2018. A final referendum is expected to take place in the summer.

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# Town plan nearly ready for referendum

A COMPREHENSIVE plan aimed at guiding future development in Dursley is making good progress towards the final stages.

Following more than three ish until 2031. years of hard work by a dedicated group of volunteers, Dursley's neighbourhood development plan (NDP) is almost ready for formal examination by Stroud District how the plan should be shaped. Council.

- including Kingswood - have already had their own plans implemented after they received final approval in referendums. Dursley is expected to hold its own in 2018.

The town was given neighbourhood status on February 4, 2014, launching efforts by a team of dozens of volunteers to put together the NDP, which if approved, will guide all development in the parBy losh Wright



Over the following months, the group has hosted a number of consultation events to gather the views of the town's residents on

It covers issues such as location, Several parishes in the district design and traffic associated with any development in the town

Four areas in the town are identified within the document as being places which could be further developed:

• Land at the rear of Parsonage Street and May Lane, which it is suggested could be suitable for mixed residential and employment development.

· Dursley bus station, to im-

prove the appearance and potential additional use for coach parking and as an evening car park,

· Reliance House in Long Street as a car park; and

· Redevelopment of Cambridge House sheltered accommodation.

Also included in the document are nine green spaces which have been deemed as 'demonstrably special' to the town, including play areas, and should be protected from any future development.

Dr Jonathan Bird, one of the Future Dursley steering group volunteers, said: "Dursley has seen huge changes over the last 20 years, not all of them welcome or seen as good developments.

"This NDP has been formed so that future changes to our town can be guided by the wishes of the population.

"I would encourage all residents



Members of the Future Dursley group who have been putting the plan together

to view the document."

The draft plan is available to view either online at dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html or a hard copy at the library or town council office.

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IN BRIEF Draft finished WITH its draft plan now completed, the group behind the creation of development guidelines for Dursley is asking for residents' feedback. Future Dursley has been creating a neighbourhood development plan for the town for almost four years aimed at guiding future development. The group is inviting feedback from tomorrow until 5pm on Friday, January 12. The draft plan is available at dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/ neighbourhood-plan.html or at the town council office or library.

Comments can be submitted via email to ndp@ dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk or by post to: Future Dursley NDP. c/o Dursley Town Council, Jacob's House, Castle Street, Dursley,

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# **APPENDIX F - Regulation 14 Consultee Comments & Responses**

A summary table listing Regulation 14 responses is included below. Copies of the responses received in full and additional information is available in the **Consultation Evidence Base Folder** and in the **Comments Schedule attached.** 

Part 2 Table : Responses to Regulation 14 Consultation

Consultation Event	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Dursley Methodist Church	Mr Swift	Dursley Resident	Potential development on Land off Shakespeare Road.	Development outside the settlement boundary is not supported in the plan.
As above	Mr Smith	Dursley Resident	He wanted to know what progress had been made with the Greenway project.	Transport policies in the NDP are supportive of the Greenway Route as a way to achieve improved connections for cyclists and pedestrians within the town.
As above	Mr Bloodworth	Dursley Resident	He supports Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed Local Green Space.	The NDP supports Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed Local Green Space.
As above	Mr & Mrs G&J Morgan	Dursley Residents	They support Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed Local Green Space. 2. They wanted to know the impact of the Parliamentary boundary change on the LA boundary.	The NDP supports Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed local Green Space.2. A Parliamentary boundary change does not affect the LA boundary.
As above	Mr & Mrs Golding	Uley Residents	They were supportive of the NDP.	Noted with thanks.
As above	Mr & Mrs Ind	Dursley Residents	They support Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed Local Green Space.	The NDP supports Land off Hardings Drive as a proposed Local Green Space.
As above	Mrs Malecki	Dursley Resident	Potential development in Land off Shakespeare Road.	Development outside the current settlement boundary is not supported in the plan.
As above	Mr Hellen	Dursley Resident	He was interested in the housing objectives and policies and how to raise awareness amongst residents of the potential opportunities to develop any spare land they may have to deliver housing on infill sites.	The NDP supports development of small infill and disused/underused sites.

Consultation Event	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
As above	Mr & Mrs Moore	Dursley Resident	Figure 6 (page 23) Town Centre Urban Design Framework Map contains an error.	The map has been corrected.
As above	Ms Hoyle	Dursley Resident	Need a space for small business owners to regularly meet up and discuss ideas.	Not specifically an NDP issues. Policies within the economy theme are supportive of small business.
As above	Mr & Mrs Lee	Dursley Residents	Potential area for enhancement 1. The Old dairy, Prospect Place and 11 May Lane. They were keen to ensure any proposed planning application from developers took account of the complex issues surrounding this brownfield site.	NDP identifies the complex range of issues associated with this site and development principles have been written to address these.
As Above	Mr Crellin	Dursley Resident	If Land off Hardings Drive were to be developed a new access road would be required.	NDP does not support development of Land off Hardings Drive. This site has been supported as a proposed Local Green Space.
As Above	E. Cooper	Dursley Resident	Housing for older people should include bigger living space. Further comments as a written submission received 11/1/2018.	Housing policies support delivery of high quality living accommodation for all the population. NDP response to written comments.
Individual caller	s to Dursley Town C	ouncil office and written	correspondence received:	
Written representation.	Liz Alexander	Bell Cornwell representing Avant Homes	Shakespeare Road to be allocated as a housing site in NDP.	No sites have been allocated in the NDP. The plan does not support development outside of the current settlement boundary. Local plan has sufficient land supply to meet Dursley's housing needs. See comments schedule for detailed response in consultation evidence base folder.
Visited the office	Mr Bilous	Dursley Resident	Discussed 1. Dursley NDP development strategy for potential areas for enhancement. 2. Proposed Local Green Space Designations.	He was supportive of the policy approach in NDP for both the potential areas for enhancement and the proposed local green space designations.
Visited the office	Mr & Mrs Wilson	Dursley Residents.	1. CDU Greenway 2. Parking 3. 11/11A May Lane 4. Need for a hopper bus to the station 5. Dog Bins	Points 1, 2 &3 are supported in the plan. Points 4 & 5 are non NDP specific.

Consultation	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
Event Written representation	Mr and Mrs Wilson	Dursley Residents	Detailed written comments were received on 11 Jan 2018. Requested that the unique character and heritage of Ferney is specifically referred to in the NDP.	Not possible to specifically mention Ferney. Character information will be added to the NDP evidence base. Added as a Project to NDP under Valuing our Conservation Areas. See comments schedule for detailed response in consultation evidence base folder.
Written representation	Mr Duncum	Dursley Resident	1. Supports 8 local green space designations 2. Retain bus station 3. Supports development of the Old dairy site. 4. Supports development of Reliance House for a car park.	<ol> <li>8 local green space designations supported in NDP.</li> <li>NDP supports improving the bus station.</li> <li>NDP supports mixed use development at The Old Dairy site.</li> <li>NDP supports Reliance House as a car park site.</li> </ol>
Written representation	Mrs Organ	Dursley Resident	Detailed comments were submitted.  See comments schedule for detailed response in the consultation evidence base folder.	A number of points raised are supported through NDP policies. Some of the issues raised fall outside the scope of the NDP. The text in the plan which refers to the Cotswold AONB has been strengthened to reflect the importance of this national landscape designation.
NDP ' Drop in' C	onsultation held on 5th	December 2017 at Dui	rsley Library 3.30 – 6.30 pm:	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 at Dursley library 3.30 - 6.30pm	3 individuals (male)	Stinchcombe Residents	They wanted to know if there were any proposed developments for the land behind Stinchcombe Village Hall	They mistakenly thought the NDP was part of Stroud District Council's (SDC) Local Plan review. They were advised to contact SDC.
As Above	Mother & Son	Stonehouse Residents	We had a brief chat about the NDP	They visit Dursley to use the library & swimming pool.
As Above	Farther & Son	Cam Residents	We had a brief chat about the NDP	They were visiting the library for the son to attend the coding club.
As Above	Mrs Caddle	Dursley Resident	1. Wants to see more sheltered housing. 2. Improvements to the bus service.	<ol> <li>Plan supports sheltered housing.</li> <li>Outside the remit of the NDP.</li> </ol>
			7 in Sainsbury's Foyer, Dursley 9.30-1	
Sainsbury's Foyer – Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 9.30-12.30	Mrs Dyer	Dursley Resident	Supports the protection of green spaces.	8 Local Green Space designations supported in NDP

Consultation Event	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
As Above	Mr & Mrs Sheldon	Coaley Residents	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mrs Holbrook	Dursley Resident	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mr & Mrs Hill	Dursley Residents	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mr & Mrs Turner	Stinchcombe Residents	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mrs Holford	Stinchcombe Residents	1. Supports the NDP.2. Would like to see a greater range of shops. 3. Dislikes the library building.	Support for the NDP noted with thanks.
As Above	Ms Mingham	Dursley Resident.	There is insufficient parking in Dursley.	New Long Stay Car park in Long Street (at Reliance House site) should help address this.
As Above	Mr & Mrs Greenwood	Info not captured	New housing should be low rise and built on brownfield sites.	The plan supports this through its development strategy and policy D1 which covers Character & Design.
As Above	Mr Wall	Stinchcombe Resident	Preserve Green Spaces	8 Local Green Space designations supported in NDP
As Above	Mr D'Onofrio	Dursley Resident	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Ms Thorn	Dursley Resident	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mr & Mrs (name not captured)	Cam Residents	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks
As Above	Mr Mercer	Dursley Residents	Support for Highfields play park & field as a Local Green Spaces.	This is one of the proposed Local Green Space designations in the plan.
As Above	Mr Evans	Dursley Resident	He raised the importance of using a footpath to link Littlecombe to the town centre via Sainsbury's.	When commenting on planning applications for the Littlecombe development, Dursley Town Council has consistently stated the importance of connecting the site with a footpath to the town centre. Transport policy T2 addresses this.
As Above	Mrs Tearle	Dursley Resident	Would like to see improvements to May Lane. On the whole likes Dursley as it is.	May Lane is a potential area for enhancement in the plan. Improvements are also part of the Dursley Urban Design Framework.
As Above	Mrs Hyde	Dursley Resident	Development should be on brownfield sites	Supported in the plan through the development strategy and potential areas for enhancement.
As Above	Mr Turner	Cam Resident	Likes Dursley & the surrounding countryside.	The beauty of the surrounding countryside is recognised with the existing AONB landscape designation which covers about two thirds of the area around the town. Environment &

Consultation Event	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
				Sustainability policies ES2 – Ancient woodland & ES3 Key Views and Landscape address this.
As Above	Mr Meidlinger	Dursley Business Owner	He raised a query about map on page 23 – proposals in the Dursley Urban Design Framework.	Map checked. There are no changes to existing pedestrian or vehicle access proposed.
As Above	Ms Atkins	Cam Resident	1.Likes The Pulse & 2. Improvements to the Local Bus Service.	Services & Facilities Policy 1 supports the improvement and protection of existing community facilities and assets.
As Above	Mr & Mrs King	Cam Residents	Developers should not 'land-bank' and new housing should include affordable housing.	Housing Policies H1 and H2 support housing for all as well as affordable housing.
As Above	Ms Thompson	Uley Resident	Dursley has made lots of progress over the last few years and there is something for people of all ages.	NDP vision, objectives and policies aim to ensure there is something for everyone in terms of future development.
As Above	Mr Boyd	Uley Resident	Supports the NDP	Noted with thanks.
As Above	Ms Cox	Dursley Resident	1. Need more affordable transport 2. Likes Highfield Play park & Field.	1. Not NDP specific. 2. Highfields is in the plan as a proposed Local Green Space designation.
As Above	Mr & Mrs (Names not captured)	Dursley Residents (Highfields)	1. Need for affordable housing for youngster.2. local jobs. 3. More local shops with affordable prices.	Affordable housing is supported by NDP Housing policies. Economic policies support local businesses and a thriving town centre.
As Above	Mr Dougherty	Dursley Resident	1. Starter homes for business/rent a desk.2 Supports the Greenway/cycle friendly/cycle action plan. Position of cycle stands/use of Sheffield stand.	Economic and Transport policies in the NDP support small businesses and the Greenway.
As Above	Mr & Mrs Ind	Dursley Residents	1. Keeping Green Spaces 2. Houses with bigger gardens.	Proposed Local Green Space designations support protecting green spaces.
As Above	Mr & Mrs Jones	Dursley Residents	1. Dursley is pretty good. 2. Needs a proper street market from time to time. 3. Can walk to everything. 4. They like the outdoors. 5. Littlecombe is very attractive.	General comments noted. Economic policies support a vibrant Town Centre.
As Above	Two guys (Names not captured)	Dursley Residents	They love Dursley. 2 They wish people would respect their environment more.	General comments noted. Environment and Sustainability policies ES1, ES2 and ES3 protect the surrounding environment.
As Above	Mr Kirlan	Dursley Resident	1. Would like a footpath to Dursley from Littlecombe. 2. Supports the	The importance of linking Littlecombe to the Town

Consultation Event	Consultee	Specific Interest	Points raised by Consultee	Plan Response
			cycle path (Greenway) through Littlecombe.	stated by Dursley Town Council when commenting on planning applications. Transport policy T2 supports improving connections for cyclists and pedestrians.
As Above	Mr Baldwin	Dursley Resident	Supports the protection of Green Spaces.	There are 8 proposed Local Green Space designations in the plan.
As Above	Ms Norbury	Dursley Resident	The lack of parking for properties at Woodmancote deters families taking older properties.	Transport Policy T1 supports provision of car parking especially development which provides higher levels of car parking than mandated in the Stroud Local Plan.

# **Responses to Statutory Consultee Letters:**

Date Letter Sent	Consultee/Recipient	Points raised by Consultee	Response
09/11/2017	Simon Maher, Neighbourhood Planning Officer, Stroud District Council (via Email)	See comments schedule for detailed response in the consultation evidence base folder. A very detailed table of comments was received on 15/1/2018.	These were reviewed by the Steering Group on 24/1/2018. Place Studio also reviewed these proving a helpful 'planning perspective'. One set of comments was agreed and the Plan has been amended to take account of the majority of these recommendations.
10/11/2017	David Stuart, Historic England, 29 Queens Square, Bristol, BS1 4ND	Historic England were consulted on the draft plan in 2017 as part of SDCs screening process for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)and Habitat Regulations Assessment. Early concerns (during 2017) were raised about the Dursley Development Strategy and whether the Potential Development Locations were site allocations.	These concerns were addressed through revisions to the development strategy in the draft plan. The potential development locations were renamed potential areas for enhancement. The SEA & HRA screening report (4.1.2018) confirms HE are content with the draft plan.

Date Letter Sent	Consultee/Recipient	Points raised by Consultee	Response
			The Reg 14 email response dated 16.1.2018 also confirms this.
10/11/2017	Consultee, Environment Agency, Riversmeet House, Northway Lane, Tewkesbury, Glos GL20 4ND	The Environment Agency were consulted on the draft plan in 2017 as part of SDCs screening process for SEA and HRA. The response 13.9.2017 confirms that the NDP is unlikely to have significant environmental impacts and that they would only make further substantive comments if the plan was seeking to allocate sites.  20.12./2017 - Response contains joint NDP guidance from EA, EH & FC. This was sent to Local Planning Authorities in Nov 2015. Further guidance relates specifically to site allocations.	No sites are allocated in the plan.
10/11/2017	Natural England, Block B, Government Buildings, Whittingdon Road, Worcester, WR5 2LQ	Natural England were consulted on the draft plan in 2017 as part of SDCs screening process for SEA and HRA. The response dated 14.12.2017 confirms that an SEA and HRA are not required.	Response 12.1.2018 No specific comments.
13/11/2017	Mrs Helen Dunn, Clerk, Slimbridge PC, 23 Tennyson Road, Dursley, Glos	12/1/2018 No specific comments 20/12/2017. No comment on content. Praise for quality of draft plan & work which has gone into this.	Thanks
13/11/2017	Ms A Durn, Clerk, Cam Parish Council, 4 Noel Lee way, Cam Gloucestershire GL11 5PS	16/1/2018 fairly detailed response mainly referring to layout and typos.  See comments schedule for detailed response in the consultation evidence base folder.	Typos have been corrected and layout issues addressed.

Date Letter Sent	Consultee/Recipient	Points raised by Consultee	Response
20/11/2017	Mr Riglar	Response from Ben Watts, Senior Planner, 20/12/2017.  References to Highways Agency and Local Transport Team in the draft plan should be either Highways England or Local Highways Authority	References in plan amended.
20/11/2017	Mr R Drake, Glos County Council, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TG	As Above	As above
20/11/2017	Mr R Niblett, Glos County Council, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TG	Extensive comments received from Glos County Council on 10 Jan 2018 covering Transport & Ecology. Comments taken on board.  See comments schedule for detailed response in the consultation evidence base folder.	Comments taken on board and plan amended.
20/11/2017	Mr S Excell, Glos County Council, Shire Hall, Westaget Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TG	As Above	As above
20/11/2017	Mr N Chapman Highways England Temple Quay House 2 The Square Temple Quay Bristol BS1 6HA	Response from Gaye Fairfield received 4.12.2017 confirming No comment.	None required

Date Letter Sent	Consultee/Recipient	Points raised by Consultee	Response
20/11/2017	Sport England, 21 Bloomsbury Street, London, WC1B 3HF	20/11/2017 Sports England response highlights/signposts NDP /Steering Group to relevant planning related policy to achieve the objective of facilitating social interaction & creating healthy inclusive communities.	Local Plan and NDP policies support this objective.