

Colyton Neighbourhood Plan



Workshop Report

September 2017



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Colyton NP Workshop Report
*including draft proposals for the 'planning framework' for
the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan (pages 11-12)*

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Introduction

Background

The Colyton Neighbourhood Plan is being developed by a Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, comprising representatives from the local community and members of Colyton Parish Council. The Steering Group has been following a sequential planning process and timetable set out in an approved Project Plan. The Project Plan is due for review and up-dating. Given progress to date, it is possible that a draft Plan may be ready for community consultation by the spring of 2018.

Colyton NP Project Plan Summary																
STAGE:	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A
Getting Started	C1															
Identify Issues					C2											
Vision & Objectives							C3									
Generate Options																
Prepare Draft Plan													C4			
Consultation & Submission															C5	C5

Community Consultation Points:
C1 - publicise intention, recruit helpers
C2 - survey of local needs & aspirations
C3 – consult on vision & objectives
C4 – informal consultation
C5 - formal consultation

Evidence reports, providing a summary of the both strategic context and local evidence base for the Neighbourhood Plan, have been prepared by the Steering Group and will be made public via the Colyton neighbourhood plan website¹. The findings of the evidence reports are complemented by the results of a Community Surveys that were carried out in 2016 and 2017.

It was decided by the Steering Group that the reaction and response from the community should play a significant role in each stage of neighbourhood plan preparation. A Workshop to evaluate all that has been found and said during the neighbourhood planning process to date was set for Wednesday 13th September 2017, at St John’s Hall, Colyton. The intention was to preparing a draft set of aims and objectives that could be shared, on a consultation basis, with the community at large.

The Purposes of this Report

This report seeks to serve several purposes:

- To provide details of the context in which the Workshop was held
- To explain how the Workshop was conceived and run
- To present the outputs from the Workshop
- To provide further analysis and refinement of the Workshop’s outputs
- To make recommendations regarding the further development of Colyton Neighbourhood Plan’s Vision, Aims and Objectives

¹ <http://www.Colytondevon.org.uk/plan/>

Placing the Workshop in Context

National Planning System

We have a hierarchical national planning system. At the top of the hierarchy is the National Planning Policy Framework (the NPPF). The NPPF sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. Each local planning authority is required to produce a Local Plan for its area. Local Plans form the next tier in the planning policy hierarchy. Local Plans must be consistent with the principles and policies set out in the NPPF. The Government expects Local Plans to address the spatial implications of economic, social and environmental change across its area. Local Plans are expected to set out the opportunities for development in that area, together with clear policies on what will or will not be permitted and where. Local planning authorities are expected to set out the strategic priorities for their areas e.g. strategic policies to deliver the homes and jobs needed in the area. East Devon DC adopted a new Local Plan in January 2016.

Neighbourhood plans are the third, and a very important, local tier in the planning policy hierarchy. They are not mandatory but, they provide an opportunity for communities to develop and agree local planning policies for their own area.

Planning Hierarchy		
Scope	Document	Purpose
National Policy	National Planning Policy Framework	<i>..... sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. It sets out the Government's requirements for the planning system only to the extent that it is relevant, proportionate and necessary to do so. It provides a framework within which local people and their accountable councils can produce their own distinctive local and neighbourhood plans, which reflect the needs and priorities of their communities.²</i>
District-wide Strategic Policy	East Devon Local Plan	<i>The Local Plan sets out the main planning approach and policies for East Devon that will help to manage development over the next 15-20 years. A new Local Plan was adopted on 28th January 2016.</i>
Neighbourhood Policies	Colyton Neighbourhood Plan	<i>A neighbourhood plan is a community-led framework for guiding the future development, regeneration and conservation of an area. It is about the use and development of land and may contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving an area or allocation of key sites for specific development.³</i>

Scope and Content of a Neighbourhood Plan

A Neighbourhood Plan is a planning document which will guide the future development of the local area. That means it is about the use and development of land and associated social, economic and environmental issues. Neighbourhood Plans cannot deal with non-planning matters.

The legislation does not prescribe what the scope and content a Neighbourhood Plan should have. A plan can be comprehensive or focused on one or two issues only. It can be detailed, or simply set general principles to guide new development. This will depend on the wishes of the local community. Inevitably it will also be influenced by the scope of existing policy in the Local Plan.

The Steering Group has spent time considering the issues and opportunities facing the communities of the area today and into the future. It has carried out consultations with those who live in the area and invited

² National Planning Policy Framework, HM Government 2012

³ Neighbourhood Plans Roadmap Guide, Locality, 2012

contributions from the business community, local voluntary and community groups, those bodies and agencies that provide services within the neighbourhood area and those that are regarded as ‘stakeholders’⁴.

The next stage in the neighbourhood planning process is to consider the possible content of the Plan. The advice offered by Locality, the Government’s sponsored support service for neighbourhood planning, is that the Plan could include:

Vision and Aims

“The Neighbourhood Plan can set out the community’s overall vision for the area and should include overall aims for its future development. These can relate to a wide range of planning and regeneration matters – social, economic and environmental. The vision and aims of the plan can then be translated into detailed policies, guidance and proposals.”

Planning Policies

“A Neighbourhood Plan, once made, will form part of the statutory local development plan for the area and can contain policies against which development proposals will be considered.

Planning applications will be determined in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan’s policies unless material considerations indicate otherwise policies should provide a clear indication of how a decision maker should react to a development proposal. It helps if they have supporting text that explains the intention behind the policy.”

Planning Guidance

“The policies in the plan could be supplemented if necessary by more detailed guidance (e.g. guidance on the design and layout of housing development). This would be helpful in interpreting the policies of the plan.”

Site Allocations

“The Neighbourhood Plan may earmark key sites for specific kinds of development, such as housing, retail, employment or mixed use.”

Community Proposals

“Regeneration or enhancement proposals relating to the use and development of land could be included in the plan. For example, it could include policies around improving key public spaces, pedestrian links or providing new community facilities, such as a community centre. Careful thought would need to be given to how such works could be delivered within the plan lifetime.”⁵

The Steering Group is following this advice and intending to set aims and objectives for the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan within the context of an overall vision.

A Workshop was considered to be the best method by which a first set of draft aims and objectives could be generated. In agreeing to a Workshop taking place, the Steering Group was also mindful of Locality’s advice on setting aims *“In setting aims for the plan, it is vital to consider both aspiration and reality for how the area should be in say 15 years’ time (or whatever the period of the plan is), and the likely social, environmental and physical trends on the area over that period.*

Based on the evidence, consultation feedback and knowledge of the area, a useful approach may be to consider what the neighbourhood’s USP (unique selling point) is. This is about identifying those factors that make the area distinctive, attractive and a desirable place to live and work in. Assessment can also be made of the neighbourhood’s unrealised potential, such as vacant historic or community buildings, which could be regenerated.

Aims may be designed to address the area’s weaknesses, build on its strengths and deal with any other issues identified. A plan could also have an overall vision, if this is thought to be helpful. The vision and aims should be as clear and concise as possible as they will inform the more detailed parts of the plan.

Once the vision and aims have been developed, they should be publicised and subjected to further consultation.”

⁴ Stakeholders = a person, group or organisation likely to be affected by the neighbourhood plan

⁵ Neighbourhood Plans Roadmap Guide, Locality, 2012

The Workshop - Methodology and Outputs

Preliminaries

It was agreed by the Steering Group that:

- The Workshop should take place in September 2017 so as to be able to consult the community in September 2016
- All members of the Steering Group should try to attend along with other invited members of the Parish Council and community
- Paul Weston (consultant), would prepare a detailed methodology and timetable for the Workshop based on tried and tested practices

After due consideration of people's availability, the Workshop was set for the afternoon of Wednesday 13th September 2017. It was booked to take place at St John's Hall in Colyton. The programme and the actual list of attendees can be found in appendices 1 and 2 to this report. Colyton Parish Council kindly agreed to provide refreshments.

Those persons that agreed to take part in the Workshop were advised in advance about the format of the Workshop and the timetable. They were sent a list of key messages that had been derived from the evidence base and community consultation to peruse in advance. They were encouraged to familiarise themselves with the key messages, issues and opportunities that had been identified through the neighbourhood planning process so far and the policies of the NPPF.

The Workshop and its Outputs

The Workshop was carried out in two sessions during the same afternoon. Session 1 explored the potential aims for the future development of the Parish. Session 2 considered what objectives might be appropriate for the Neighbourhood Plan, in order to help achieve the aims between now and 15 years ahead.

Session 1 – the Aims of the Plan

Divided into three work groups, participants were asked: *“What key aims do you think ought to be encapsulated in a vision statement for Colyton 2031⁶?”* The work groups were allocated two or three different topics each to focus upon initially. The brief to them was to use their own local knowledge and interests and the key messages to devise a first draft set of aims for the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan. It was suggested that they should try to develop at least two but probably not more than five aims per topic. The work groups were then given the opportunity to scrutinise and suggest revisions to the product from the other groups. The draft aims generated from the Workshop, as they were written at the time, can be found in appendix 4.

Session 2 – the Objectives of the Plan

Remaining in the same three groups, participants were asked to contribute towards a set of draft objectives. It was explained that *“objectives are the methods by which we plan to achieve our aims”*. The groups were given 20 minutes to produce as many draft objectives as they wished for their own topics before having a further 20 minutes to add objectives to the other groups' topics and aims. The draft objectives generated by the Workshop, largely as they were written⁷, are also listed in appendix 4.

⁶ To coincide with the East Devon Local Plan end date

⁷ Minor changes only have been made for the sake of clarity or to avoid misunderstanding of their meaning

Post-Workshop Analysis

Outputs

Having transcribed everything that was written down on the flip-chart sheets and 'post-its' at the Workshop and spent some time reflecting on what occurred, here are my observations:

- The key messages inherited from the evidence base and consultations were given due regard
- Participants generally appreciated that a neighbourhood plan is about land use and facilitating future development
- Workshop outputs were widespread but linked by a sense of pride in the community, the settlements and the area where participants live
- How to retain the unique rural character of the area whilst welcoming visitors and enabling sustainable growth and change is a key issue
- The impact of traffic and the safety of road users is a matter of concern
- There are matters/issues relating to the living and working environment that may need to be addressed by other community-based strategies and actions outside of the Neighbourhood Plan

Workshop Dynamics and Delivery

I feel it is appropriate also to record the following observations:

- Everyone present appeared to participate with enthusiasm and stuck to the 'rules'
- The groupings worked well
- Everyone seemed to make a contribution
- A consensus, when required, was achieved
- The Workshop's outputs are of sufficient quality to facilitate the next steps in the Neighbourhood Plan process – namely the engagement of the community in developing the aims and objectives of their Plan



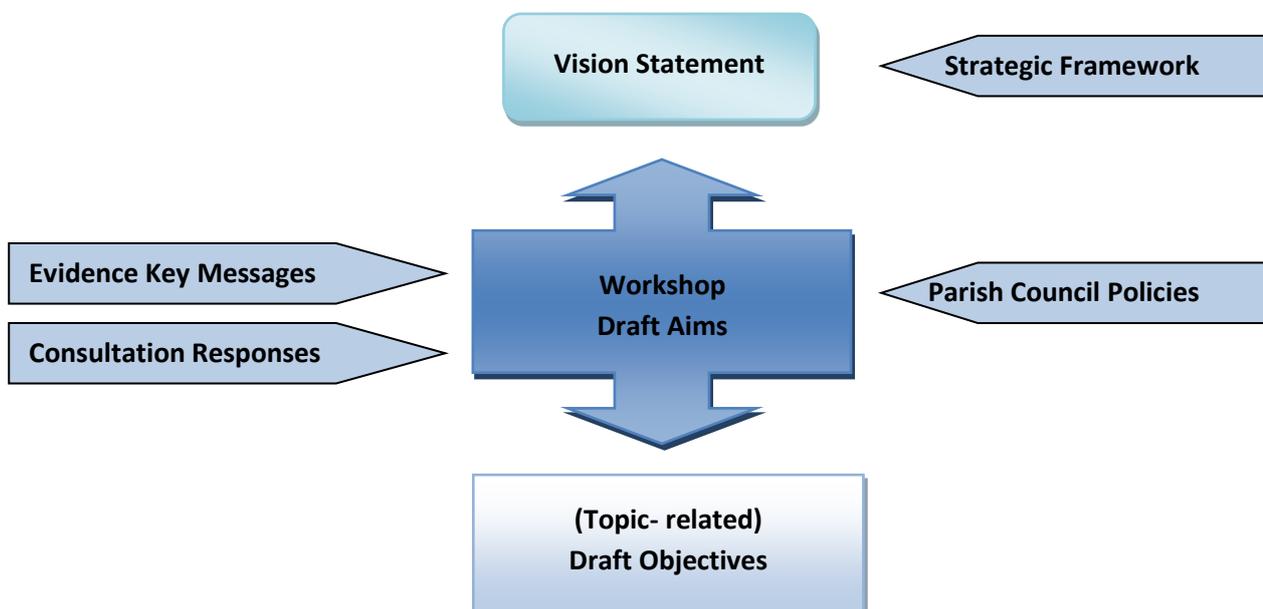
Translating the Workshop Outputs into a Draft Planning Framework

Potential Formats for the Draft Vision

The Government's view is that through their neighbourhood plan, communities will be able to establish general planning policies for the development and use of land in their neighbourhood. They will be able to say, for example, where new homes and offices should be built, and what they should look like; as long as the neighbourhood plan is in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan.

In order to comply with the NPPF, the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan should plan positively to support the strategic allocations and policies of the East Devon Local Plan.

The Government considers that, within the prevailing strategic context, a neighbourhood plan should set out a vision for the future of the neighbourhood in question. That vision can be detailed, or it can be general, depending on what the community in question wants. It could be encapsulated in a single Vision Statement or it could remain implied by the nature and purpose of the aims and objectives. The purpose of the Workshop was to develop a first draft set of aims and objectives, which could help move towards an agreed vision for the Parish of Colyton.



To arrive at a vision for Colyton, the starting point could well be the draft aims generated at the Workshop. These have been edited and refined, post-workshop. The resultant, revised, set of draft aims for the Neighbourhood Plan is presented on pages 11 and 12.

These aims, when considered together, could be used as the basis on which an overall vision statement for Colyton is crafted. No doubt members of the Steering Group will have their own views as to whether a single statement is necessary and preferences for what it might say. For this reason, I am not making a recommendation on the vision statement and I have left the appropriate panel blank on page 11.

Draft Aims

The aims provide a topic by topic statement of how the community wishes to see its neighbourhood change (or not change) and develop in future. The Workshop developed a first set of aims based on the 'evidence' before them and achieving a consensus of opinion (see appendix 4). I have refined these aims subsequently (see pages 11 and 12) in the interests of focus, clarity and to avoid repetition.

Draft Objectives

The objectives are a statement of what is expected of the Neighbourhood Plan so as to achieve the aims. Participants at the Workshop suggested many possible objectives that may be appropriate for the Neighbourhood Plan (in appendix 4). To further develop the outputs from the Workshop and advance the neighbourhood planning process, the objectives generated at the Workshop with some refinement, have also been included as part of the draft framework that follows.

It should be recognised that the objectives are the aspect of this framework that is least developed and should be most open to revision and addition. Indeed, an important purpose of the next consultation should be to get members of the local community to propose additional objectives that would help meet the aims and realise the vision. The consultation exercise, which is planned to take place shortly, can then be used to elicit reaction and views not only on the issues and aims, but how they may be achieved through 'SMART'⁸ objectives and relevant planning policies.

After the consultation, it will be the revised and adopted objectives that will determine the content of the Neighbourhood Plan and inform the detail of the policies within the Plan.

On the following two pages is a set of topic-based aims and objectives which the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group may choose to amend further, add to and/or adopt for the purposes consultation with the community at large. Together they seek to represent a coherent and justified planning framework for the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan.

⁸ SMART = Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound

Vision Statement

Natural Environment	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives
	Protect and enhance the natural and rural environment	<i>Preserve and protect nature reserves in the Parish</i>
		<i>Protect trees and woodlands</i>
		<i>Protect and enhance open and green spaces</i>
	Encourage responsible management of the countryside	<i>Enhance and maintain Public Rights of Way</i>
<i>Support necessary farm diversification</i>		
<i>Control soil erosion</i>		
Minimise waste and pollution	<i>Encourage farms and business to keep premises tidy</i>	
Increase resilience to climate change	<i>Facilitate improved recycling facilities</i>	
	<i>Maintain drainage systems to prevent flooding and erosion</i>	
	<i>Reduce the impact of water run-off and make sure riverbeds are dredged</i>	

Built Environment and Heritage	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives
	Safeguard the character and heritage of the built environment	<i>Integrate new development, to reflect character of the Parish</i>
		<i>Promote use of local materials where possible</i>
		<i>Agree local Design Statement</i>
		<i>Support Conservation Area policy</i>
Minimise loss of greenfield sites	<i>Develop on brownfield sites as a priority</i>	
	<i>Protect green wedges between Colyton, Colyford and Seaton</i>	

Housing	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives
	Ensure local housing meets local needs	<i>Promote affordable housing for local people</i>
		<i>Provide lifetime housing</i>
		<i>Provide housing suitable that suits the needs of young people or older people</i>
	Support sustainable growth in housing and population	<i>Ensure adequate infrastructure is in place</i>
		<i>Promote mixed-use development</i>
<i>Focus on brownfield and previously used land</i>		
<i>Support innovative housing projects</i>		

Community Facilities and Services	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives
	Retain strong sense of community and increase our sustainability	<i>Protect existing community facilities</i>
		<i>Support multi-use of community facilities</i>
<i>Support community projects</i>		

Leisure and Recreation	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives	
	Enhance local leisure opportunities		<i>Support improvements to existing recreation areas</i>
			<i>Improve accessibility to local facilities where necessary</i>
			<i>Increase facilities in response to local demands</i>
			<i>Develop projects with young people</i>
			<i>Provide further allotments and community composting sites</i>
	<i>Complete the Stop Line Way</i>		

Transport and Travel	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives	
	Encourage use of alternative transport modes to the motor vehicle		<i>Provide more safe cycling routes</i>
			<i>Support public transport improvements</i>
			<i>Encourage community transport initiatives</i>
	Improve travel safety in the Parish		<i>Promote and develop safe cycle and walking routes</i>
			<i>Support workable traffic management schemes</i>
			<i>Provide more pavements and car-free routes</i>
Address parking problems		<i>Provide better parking arrangements for schools</i>	
		<i>Provide additional public parking areas</i>	

Local economy	Draft Aims	Draft Objectives	
	Support sustainable business development		<i>Create solutions for empty shops</i>
			<i>Provide work/live units - workshops</i>
	Improve employment prospects for local people		<i>Support improvements to the local delivery of training and education</i>
	Promote sustainable tourism		<i>Create regular farmers market</i>
			<i>Support heritage initiatives</i>
		<i>Improve pedestrian route from tramway to town</i>	
		<i>Support conversion of redundant farm building for tourism</i>	

Significant Matters Arising from the Workshop

Scope and Content of the Neighbourhood Plan

The range of matters discussed at the Workshop suggests that the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan may need to cover several topic areas, with character and sustainability at the forefront. This will be made clearer following community consultation on the aims and objectives.

Policies

The neighbourhood plan policies can be drafted once the vision and objectives and the overall strategy approach has been consulted upon and a consensus has emerged.

Whether a neighbourhood plan policy is required will be subject to several tests, which will determine its need and value. The answer should be 'yes' to each of these questions:

1. Is it in general conformity with the strategic policies of the adopted Local Plan?
2. Is it needed? i.e.
 - i. Does it 'add value' to existing policy (NPPF and adopted/saved policies of Local Plan)?
 - ii. Does it add local specificity or more detail existing policy (NPPF and adopted/saved policies of Local Plan)?
2. Is it supported by up-to-date evidence (written policy/guidance and local consultation)?
3. Is it set out in a positive and permissive way (i.e. written to be in line with the NPPF's presumption in favour of sustainable development)?
4. Does it 'do' anything?
5. Is its terminology clearly defined and unambiguous?
6. Can it be used to deliver the intended strategy by the local planning authority when considering and determining planning applications?
7. Does the policy 'read across' to/fit with others in the plan (and not contradict other policies and the overall strategy of the plan)?
8. Is the policy credible, justifiable and achievable?

Next Stage of Consultation

The Steering Group is committed to going back to the community at large to consult on the vision, aims and objectives of the Plan.

It is suggested that the purpose of the next stage of community consultation should be to:

- report back on the findings and conclusions from 'the evidence'
- gather any additional information thought necessary
- share a draft vision, aims and objectives for the Colyton Neighbourhood Plan
- encourage reaction/endorsement of the draft vision and aims etc
- invite suggestions for further objectives and specific planning policies to be considered
- encourage community involvement to help realise the vision

Steering Group members should consider how they can make use local newsletters, the website and various forms of social media to ensure the community at large is made very aware of what has been done so far and encouraged to participate in the up-coming consultation event when they will have the opportunity to consider and respond to the draft aims and objectives and what they will represent i.e. the community's neighbourhood planning agenda.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Programme for the Workshop

Colyton NP Workshop – 13 th September 2017 St Johns Hall, Colyton			
Coffee	13:45	14:00	
Welcome and Overview	14:00	14:05	What we hope to achieve today
Introduction	14:05	14:25	Where this workshop fits in What's been done so far and how we can use it to move forward
Group Work Session 1	14:25	15:10	Developing a common agenda – interpret what we know and been told into a 1 st set of aims
Feedback	15:10	15:25	Report back from the groups
Refreshment/Comfort Break	15:25	15:35	
Setting up Stage 2	15:35	15:45	
Group Work Session 2	15:45	16:35	What needs to happen? - turning the aims into a 1 st set of objectives
Review & Next Steps	16:35	16:45	What we've achieved & what happens next
Thanks	16:45	16:55	

Appendix 2 – Workshop Attendance List

Attendees - Colyton Workshop 13 September 2017				
	Residence	SG	PC	Significant Memberships
Carol Rapley	Colyford	✓		
Caroline Collier	Colyton	✓	✓	
Chris Way	Colyford			CRW Accountants
Colin Pady	Colyton	✓	✓	Parish Church
David Fouracre	Colyton			Parish Church
David Hurford	Colyton			
David Page	Colyton	✓		Board Director, Food and Drink Devon
Elaine Stratford	Colyton	✓		
Helen Parr	Colyton	✓		Cllr EDDC
Jacquie McCullough	Colyton			Promote Colyton Group
Ken Clifford	Colyton	✓	✓	
Natalie McNeice	Colyton			Parish Church / Youth Club
Simon Ford	Colyton			Promote Colyton Group
Steve Selby	Colyford	✓		
Vicky Mills	Colyford	✓		PCC, Reece Strawbridge Centre, LINK
SG = Steering Group member, PC = Parish Councillor				

Colyton Key Messages from Local Evidence (blue = Colyton Survey 2016, red = Colyford Survey 2017)

Natural Environment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a great deal (habitats, species and character) that is worthy of protection • A substantial area is prone to flooding • We need to improve our resilience to climate change • The footpath network is an important asset • We should encourage and support recycling initiatives • How can we encourage renewable energy use? • We should support farmers and farming
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More flowers, better kept places • Annual review of rivers and flood defences • Visual environment, street furniture, signs, lighting • Better recycling, cardboard collection • Retain trees at Ceramtec site • Great proximity to Wetlands • Access to Jurassic Coast • More dog fouling bins and litter bins

Built Environment and Heritage
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a rich heritage that must influence planning policy • The conservation areas need review and an up-to-date management plan • There is more than sufficient development land if it is required • Flood prevention is a major concern • Development at Colyton is a more sustainable option than at Colyford • Sufficient infrastructure needs to be in place before major development takes place

Housing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The population is 'ageing' • We need to respond to local housing need • Demand for more suitable/specialist housing is likely to increase • We need to influence the direction and scale of growth • We need to facilitate the proper redevelopment of the Ceramtec site
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use brown field sites not to use green field sites • Affordable housing for locals • Culverts, drainage, sewerage problems should be sorted before any more housing • Housing should be appropriate style, density, • Keep housing below 200ft contour • Any new housing must be part on an overall plan with educational, medical, recreational, transport and environment needs taken into account • No new housing near flood plain • Any housing to include bungalows for elderly • Limit further housing at Colyford

Community Services and Facilities

- Our community facilities are important to us
 - How can we improve existing community facilities and services or provide additional, if required?
 - We should ensure medical facilities and services continue to meet needs
 - We should help the Primary School remain fit for purpose
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- Cash Machine
 - Town Hall cinema
 - Farmers Market on Sundays
 - Work with tram to promote Colyton
 - Keep Bank, Post Office, Surgery
 - Advertise other local tourist attractions
 - More Police presence
 - Make Post Office a Main Office
 - Co-ordinator to help elderly clear snow/ice
 - New school on Ceramtec Site with additional parking
 - Retain strong community spirit
 - More volunteers to run events
 - Value Post Office, butchers and village shop
 - Good choice of public houses
 - Creation of workshops for arts and crafts
 - Involve younger people in the community
 - Good range of clubs and activities in the village
 - Improved phone signals
 - Concerns over grammar school expansion

Leisure and Recreation

- We should protect and enhance our existing recreation spaces
- We probably need more recreation space and a wider range of sport and play opportunities
- How can we provide more for young people?

Local Economy

- We should support local employment initiatives
- The Parish is a good place to run a business
- The Ceramtec site is an important business/employment opportunity
- We should protect the local retail sector
- A vibrant town centre is important
- We need to maintain a dialogue with local businesses
- How can we help local business?
- How do we take advantage of our proximity to major tourist assets?

Transport and Travel

- We need more and better pavements
- Traffic causes significant nuisances
- We need to address the issue of road safety
- Traffic calming measures would be welcomed
- School parking is a major problem that needs to be solved
- Town centre parking arrangements are inadequate
- The Tram is an important asset
- We should encourage greater use of public transport services
- Can we do more to encourage walking and cycling?
- We should continue to improve cycleways and safe cycling opportunities
- More off-road cycle routes are needed
- We need more and better footpaths

- More parking for School
- Road repairs, clearing ditches etc
- More traffic calming
- 20 mph limit
- More car parking facilities
- No all-day parking in Market Place
- Limited parking in Market Place
- Repair minor roads
- Weight /vehicle restrictions
- Slow signs
- More salting/gritting
- One-way system
- Safe foot route from tramway via field footpaths
- Improved public transport required
- Speed reduction through and around Colyford village
- Safety improvements along Seaton Road by Popes Lane
- Safe controlled crossing points along A3052
- Designated parking area for shops
- Lack of footways along A3052 and Seaton Road
- Hardstanding and shelter for school bus stop in Coly Road
- Zebra between CMH and Chapel
- Improve school bus waiting area at the end of The Elms
- Flooding on A3052 adjacent The White Hart
- Hedge trimming alongside roads and footways
- Safety improvements at village gateway from Harepath Hill
- School bus congestion on A3052
- Return of 9.30am X53 bus service
- Improved bus service

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Group/Topic Transcriptions

Natural Environment	
Preserve and protect the natural and rural environment	Support buying local produce (veg boxes) Make proper recycling facility in realistic location Support farm diversification
Enhance the countryside through good management	Garden waste collection Recue fly tipping Insist on highly visible farms and business keeping premises tidy
Reduce pollution in all its forms	Maintain drainage systems to prevent flooding and erosion
Consideration of farming and rural economy	Encourage stewardship of farm land Protect preserve and enhance open and green spaces Protect trees and woodlands
Improve recycling opportunities	Control soil erosion Preserve and protect nature reserves in the Parish Reduce the impact of water run-off and make sure riverbeds are dredged
Built Environment and Heritage	
Safeguard the local character and heritage of the built environment	Preserve conservation areas Support better signage to encourage use Promote use of local materials where possible
Integrate new development to reflect character of the Parish	Encourage civic pride Development of a design guide for local development Provide work/live units - workshops
Promote mixed-use development	
Develop brownfield sites as a priority	
Housing	
Housing appropriate for the needs of current and future local population	Planners must ensure appropriate timely infrastructure Support use of brownfield Promote affordable housing for local people
Appropriate use of brownfield land	Anything to encourage younger occupation Work to live housing
New housing must be part of an overall plan with appropriate infrastructure such as education, medical, recreational, transport, and sensitive to environment needs	Promote in-filling Protect green wedges between Colyton and Colyford and Seaton Modular housing Protect from over-development Provide lifetime housing
Community Services and Facilities	
Retain strong sense of community	Promote community groups Protect multi-use facilities
Protect all our existing services	Encourage pop-up community events in public areas Primary school – support access/parking Improve access to FE and HE Explore and improve footpaths to Grammar school Reinstate local hospital beds Provide community allotments and composting in Colyford Provide day centre for elderly Protecting and improving multi-use facilities Re-establish scouts/guides Encourage civic pride

Leisure and Recreation	
Protect and enhance all existing recreation facilities and access to them	Enhance and maintain Public rights of way Complete the Stop Line way Shelter at the playing fields Improve care and maintenance of community gardens
Provide more facilities for people of all ages	Community minibus Improve links with existing sports centres and schools and encourage their use Improve access to sports/leisure centres including Grammar School
Promote existing facilities and services and where to find them/access	Transport to CMH from Colyton for older folk Facilities for young people Volunteers and professional help to support young people
Transport and Travel	
Public transport to provide attractive and workable services	Pedestrian crossing in Colyford Provide safe crossing over A3052 by Memorial Hall and Church Allow parking on Ceramtec site Address parking at grammar School
Traffic management – safe and effective for all road users	Provide safe cycle facilities along Seaton Road More traffic calming Provide pavement along A3052 Limit on-street parking in town centre Residents’ parking permits
Promote and develop safe cycle and walking routes	Provide parking for primary school Join pavement gap Colyton to Colyford 20 mph in Colyton and Colyford Smaller buses – better frequency Improve Grammar School access and traffic flow
Address parking issues	Safe pedestrian access across Coly Road top play park and speed control Improve car share opportunities Provide direct commuter bus service to Exeter and other towns along A3052
Local Economy	
Attract and support sustainable businesses to provide employment	Create regular farmers market create and support business forum Provide local training Promoting Colyton from Tramway (provide transport)
Provide professional marketing and local support for established and new businesses	Support tourist adverts Promote heritage centre Improve pedestrian route from tramway to town
Promote tourism within the Parish	Create solutions for empty shops i.e. pop-up shops, community groups, work experience Support conversion of redundant farm building for tourism or business
Improve training, skills and education opportunities locally	Improve information and promotion of apprenticeships to businesses Include work experience opportunities