Crediton NP Statement of Community Consultation

Public consultations

Household Survey January 2015

3,000 surveys were delivered to households; 1000+ were returned

Schools surveys February/March 2015

Primary classes years 3-6 in the 2 primary schools responded to questions about the town.

A Year 6 group took part in a discussion

The secondary school took part in an online survey with 350+ responses

Business surveys February 2015

100 surveys were delivered to businesses in the town centre and on the industrial estate

Public displays and consultations

11th July 2015 display of main policies Crediton Festival Volunteers Event, Town Square 24th March 2016 Annual Town Meeting, NP update

March 2018 Annual Town Meeting NP update

17th – 20th October 2018 NP draft policies consultation, Council Offices, Market Street 6th March 2019 NP draft polices consultation, Boniface Centre

January 2020 NP Sustainability plans for Climate Change and Sustainability sub-committee

Town groups, organisations and individuals

The following were contacted by email and/or meetings and gave advice, input and comments:

Crediton Area History and Museum Society

Queen Elizabeth Community College

Crediton Chamber of Commerce

Dr Paul Chanin

Mr Mike Saunders

The Town Team

Crediton Heart Project

The Boniface Trail

Sustainable Crediton

Newsletters and press releases

Crediton Town Council's newsletter had regular NP update and news articles Press releases were sent to the Crediton Courier for these editions: 28.08.14, 09,01,15, 23,01,15, 06.02.15; 20.03.15, 15.05.15, 22.04.16; 12.10.18. 10.04.19

NP Steering Group meetings

The Town Council took the decision to undertake a NP in 2014 and submitted the proposal to MDDC. The first few meetings included town councillors, members of the public and representatives of community and statutory organisations.

The core Steering Group included town councillors and members of the public.

Steering group meeting were held regularly throughout the plan preparation period on the following dates. The group planned and conducted activities as noted:

2015

to organise the surveys, process the data and review the results; to start identifying the evidence base

07/01/15, 04/02/15, 04/03/15, 15/04/15

to gather evidence; develop and review the project plan schedule; look at examples of made plans

05/05/15, 27/05/15, 03/08/15

to review the evidence base and local documents; to develop the vision, aim and objectives and to start drafting policies; to discuss the style of the plan; to meet MDDC for information and advice; to publicise progress through newsletters and press release 09/09/15, 23/09/15, 07/10/15, 13/10/15, 21/10/15, 18/11/15,

to review vision and objectives, draft policies, meet the district council for further advice, comment and guidance; respond to developments in the light of emerging policies; pursue discussions with DCC regarding pedestrian and vehicle infrastructure in new developments. 13/01/16, 21/01/16, 10/02/16, 02/03/16, 25/04/16, 20/06/16

2017

to comment on district plan and GESP in the light of local priorities; to continue with policies; get Article 4 advice and PDR updatess; SEA screening requirement; gather evidence for the NP design statement; discuss High Street traffic issues with consultant 24/01/17. 15/02/17, 16/03/17, 08/06/17, 21/08/18, 13/11/17

2018

to get update on progress of the LPR, district design guide; to update officers on Traffic Study progress; plan public consultation on draft policies; check information from Centre for Sustainable Energy; investigate Community Land Trust; respond to MDDC request for footpath requirements 15/01/18, 12/03/18, 16/03/16, 14/05/18, 01/10/18, 12/11/18

2019

review and finalise plan policies following October consultation; prepare March consultation; review all footpath links; publicise plan, meet regulation 14; prepare responses and make changes; write report on responses to Reg 14 and changes made 28/01/19, 25/02/19, 20/05/19, 10/06/19, 22/07/19, 25/07/19

2020

no meetings; zoom updates; LPR adopted Sept 20; continued advice sought on tree policy; final policy written