

Hi

**LISKEARD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN INPUT**

My name is Steve Besford-Foster and I’m the volunteer Project Manager for the Liskeard Neighbourhood Plan Team.

Liskeard Town Council has resolved to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for its area under the powers granted by the Localism Act 2011. It’s also been agreed that the Plan will deal with housing and employment land allocations to meet the requirements of the emerging Cornwall Local Plan.

The first stage in this process is to scope the Plan. To do this we are carrying out a period of engagement with the local community, businesses, interest and faith groups, infrastructure and service providers.

I’m writing today to ensure you are aware of the proposed Plan and to invite you to let us know of any particular themes, issues and concerns that your Church or Chapel considers should be taken into account as we move forward with preparing the Plan.

This scoping work will allow us to focus on the key local issues and help to produce a Plan that receives support when we get to the referendum stage of the process. Later this year we will publish a range of options for more detailed comment. Following that there will be a formal consultation period in line with statutory requirements.

It may be that I have addressed this to the wrong person in your organisation. If so please forward it to the correct person, thanks.

I’d be obliged if you could give your response on the attached form, as this will make it easier for us to process. The closing date for responses to this stage of engagement is 1st August 2014. I have also attached a short document containing text you could use if you want to circulate this more widely, for example on a website or magazine.

You can find additional details about the Plan from our website: [www.planliskeard.co.uk](http://www.planliskeard.co.uk)

Yours etc

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**LISKEARD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SEEKS INPUT**

Liskeard Town Council’ Neighbourhood Plan Team wants to get local people and groups involved as deeply as possible in the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan for the town to guide future development.

The Neighbourhood Plan could include a wide range of issues, like where new homes, shops and workplaces should be built, how they should look, and where the money received from developers under the new community infrastructure levy should be spent. Without such a plan all of this would be decided at County Hall, and the important planning decisions made by Cornwall Council would be based only on the National Planning Policy Framework and the county-wide local plan, which means that important local factors could be ignored.

The Team want the ***whole*** Liskeard community to get on board and decide the best way forward with planning the use of land and buildings in and around the town, so its calling for input from the all sectors of the community in the area. This could simply be by sending in your views, or you could volunteer to become more actively involved in creating the Plan.

If you want to know more, and to have your say through our survey, please see [www.planliskeard.co.uk](http://www.planliskeard.co.uk) or email [info@planliskeard.co.uk](mailto:info@planliskeard.co.uk)

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