



Get on board and help plan for the future of Liskeard!

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

It gives people like ourselves a real say in how our community develops – the way that land is used for housing, business, shops and leisure. It can also protect green spaces and influence the design of buildings and estates.

Local people play a major role in making the plan. It's part of their democratic right granted by the Localism Act.

The plan has to be agreed through a local referendum. It may take up to 2 years to complete. It will have legal force for the next 20 years, and *must* be followed by Cornwall Council when making planning decisions.

Why should we Care?

Are we up for taking part in some tough decisions about the future of the town? Things like where housing should go, jobs created, shopping developed and play spaces increased. Or do we let those decisions be made elsewhere?

The Liskeard Neighbourhood Plan is this community's chance to make these important decisions locally, and to strongly influence how future planning applications are decided. The more people that get involved, the better chance there is of making this a brilliant plan for Liskeard!

BUT there is some ‘small print’: the Neighbourhood Plan must be realistic. **It’s not about stopping development.**

It’s really about making local land-use choices, which the whole community will have to support through a referendum. It must also fit within the National Planning Policy Framework, Cornwall’s Local Plan, and accord with European legislation.

How you can get involved

- Help decide what should be in the plan by taking part in workshops, drop-in sessions, exhibitions and surveys.
- Keep up-to-date via the dedicated web-site, posters, the press, radio, and the Town Crier.
- Talk about the Plan with friends and neighbours – spread the word!
- Contribute your ideas and suggestions.
- Comment on the draft plan before it goes off for inspection and we all vote on it.
- Join a working party that focuses on a particular topic that interests you.
- Volunteer practical help to create the Plan, from photocopying, to doing surveys, site assessments and delivering leaflets,
- If you have plenty of time to spare...volunteer to serve on the Neighbourhood Plan Team to help manage the process.

To find out more see:

- **the Town Council’s Neighbourhood Plan website:**
www.planliskeard.co.uk,
- **the Neighbourhood Plan Facebook page**
- **Tweet to @planliskeard**
- **or contact the Town Council on 01579 345407**



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