

UPDATE

Following an extended, and well-supported consultation with the people of Liskeard over the summer, a report was produced by Plymouth University (read this on our website:

www.planliskeard.co.uk).

It analysed views and ideas from the community, and highlighted the most important directions for the Plan Team to pursue.

A Neighbourhood Plan is principally about land use and does have to be in conformity with the National Planning Framework, and the Cornwall Local Plan.

It's clear that many people feel strongly that Liskeard wants employment first to support any expansion of housing, and there is a need for a variety of types of dwelling.

There is also strong support for protecting the market-town feel of Liskeard, maintaining and improving the vitality of the town centre, as well as protecting green spaces within and around the town, and improving leisure facilities.

A well-attended volunteer evening before Christmas set the next phase of the plan into motion, with the formation of four working groups focusing on:

Employment Housing Town Centre Green Spaces & Leisure

Each group will be taking the information and ideas from the community engagement and recommending directions for future policies to go into the Neighbourhood Plan. Decisions will not always be easy, so it is important that everyone involved makes sure that the wishes of Liskeard people are taken fully into account.

The plan depends very much on volunteers for their ideas,

expertise, time to carry out research, and to take on the many other jobs involved in preparing a plan. So far much of the work has been achieved through volunteer effort, and this has reduced considerably the need for funding from local and central government. We need your continued support, and you can still help by getting on board as the plan gathers momentum.

You can volunteer by signing up on the website (www.planliskeard.co.uk), where you can also read all about the plan and add your own comments. Alternatively go to our Facebook page, tweet to @planliskeard, or leave your name and details at the Town Council Offices 01579 345407 so that you can be contacted.



Volunteers get to grips with neighbourhood planning