

LUPPITT PARISH

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Neighbourhood planning is an exciting opportunity for us as a parish to influence how and why development will take place in our parish over the next fifteen years and more.

Thank you for taking the time to complete and return your questionnaire. As an incentive, each completed questionnaire received will be entered into a draw for a single CASH PRIZE OF £100.

This questionnaire is essential to help us understand what is most important to local people and what our Neighbourhood Plan should focus upon.

Our Neighbourhood Plan will set out a vision as to what the Parish will be like to live and work in over the next fifteen years and how that vision can be achieved. The process of producing our Plan will include a series of consultations in which we will aim to reach everyone in our community.

Our Plan needs to conform to the strategic local and national policies but it can put in place detailed local planning policies relating to infrastructure, economic, housing and other development where the community thinks it is necessary or beneficial to do so. Our Plan will go before an independent examiner and then be subject to a referendum in our Parish where, under the regulations in the Localism Act 2011, over 50% of those voting must be in favour of the Plan. Once approved, it will form part of the Statutory Development Plan for the area.

This explains just how important it is that you make your views known so that they can be reflected in the final document.

Please fill in this questionnaire and return it in the pre-paid envelope provided by **20 August 2014**.

We understand that different members of your household may have different views. Therefore, if you wish to photocopy the questionnaire for other members of your household to complete, you can return more than one copy in the pre-paid envelope. No more than one entry per person please!

If you have access to broadband, you can also download a PDF copy from www.luppitt.com.

We hope you will find the questionnaire self-explanatory and easy to complete but if you encounter any difficulties or require more information about our Parish Neighbourhood Plan process, please contact your Parish Clerk, Rosalind Buxton, at luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk or 01404 861481.

Please use your voice and have your say

THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

The Blackdown Hills are a beautiful landscape in which to live, work and play.

1. In your view, which of these qualities make the Blackdown Hills a special place?

(PLEASE TICK YOUR TOP FIVE)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Distinctive landscape, views and scenery | <input type="checkbox"/> Tranquillity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional farming practices | <input type="checkbox"/> Country lanes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woodland | <input type="checkbox"/> Devon banks and hedgerows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biodiversity (flora and fauna) | <input type="checkbox"/> Character of village centres and settlements |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Distinctive, traditional building styles | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark skies with bright stars (lack of light pollution) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: | |
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2. Which of the following do you feel are important to enable you to access and enjoy the local countryside?

(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Footpaths | <input type="checkbox"/> Off-road cycle paths and green lanes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridleways | <input type="checkbox"/> Commons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woodland and forestry (where open to public) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |
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BUILT AND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

Part of the character of our parish is due to the buildings. These have evolved over centuries, with older buildings being updated or extended and new buildings added as required.

3. What priorities do you think our Neighbourhood Plan should focus on?

(PLEASE TICK YOUR TOP FIVE)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Design, size and location of new domestic buildings | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design, size and location of domestic extensions | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design, size and location of new agricultural buildings | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design, size and location of new industrial units | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving the overall character of local buildings and settlements | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving archeologically important sites | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing flood risk to new and current housing sites | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: | |
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Trees are essential in our residential environment because they absorb pollution, provide shade and shelter, a haven for wildlife, create attractive settings, calm traffic, produce edible fruit and nuts, and reduce storm water runoff.

4. Please tell us where, if anywhere, you would like to see more trees being planted in our built and natural environment? (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

Place	Fruit and nut trees (apple, cherry, etc.)	Native species (oak, ash, etc.)	Non-native (climate change & landscaping)
New developments			
Private gardens			
Residential streets			
Industrial areas			
Rural highway verges			
School playing fields			
Public open spaces			
Rural farm hedge banks			
Screening agricultural buildings			
Farmland and woodland			

ENERGY AND LOW CARBON ALTERNATIVES

We are all aware of the steady increase in energy costs. Encouraging local forms of energy production, with less reliance upon costly fossil fuels will be beneficial for us all.

5. Which, if any, of the following technologies are you supportive of being installed sensitively in your parish? (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Small wind turbine under 25 metres (82ft) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydro power (e.g. using streams / rivers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large wind turbine 25-100 metres (82-328ft) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels on homes | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels on farm or commercial buildings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels - agricultural land (small scale rotating or fixed vertical array) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels - agricultural land (whole fields) | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar hot water tubes on homes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |
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TRANSPORT AND ACCESSIBILITY

6. Do you cycle to access local facilities, to work, or to visit friends?

Daily Weekly Monthly Less Often Never

7. What would encourage you to cycle more?

Improved cycle ways Reduced speed of traffic
 Size or weight restrictions on vehicles Nothing Other, please specify:

8. Do you walk to access local facilities, to work, or to visit friends?

Daily Weekly Monthly Less Often Never

9. What would encourage you to walk more?

Improved pedestrian footpaths Reduced speed limit of traffic
 Size or weight restrictions on vehicles Nothing
 Other, please specify:

A ‘**visibility splay**’ is an area clear of obstruction to allow drivers to see traffic coming when turning on to a road. Where there is new development national guidance on splay sizes may require the removal of Devon banks, hedgerows and trees.

10. Should visibility splays be decided upon locally, (in consultation with Devon County Council Highways and East Devon District Council) to ensure character of our villages and lanes is balanced with safety?

Yes No Unsure

11. Would you prefer decisions regarding the number of parking spaces for new houses to be taken within the local area, in consultation with DCC Highways and East Devon District Council?

Yes No Unsure

12. Do you think the character of our settlements and lanes could be enhanced by reducing unnecessary signage and street furniture?

Yes No Unsure

POPULATION AND HOUSING

Many people are living longer. It is increasingly challenging for local young people to find, or afford, local homes. These pressures on housing could be addressed through carefully managed development within our parish.

Over the last 15 years, **2** new homes were created in Luppitt parish.

13. Over the next fifteen years, how many new homes do you think should be created in our parish to meet our housing needs?

A similar amount to the past 15 years Less More None at all

**14. Which of the following housing tenures do you think we need to encourage in our parish?
(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Privately owned | <input type="checkbox"/> Privately rented |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Part ownership housing scheme | <input type="checkbox"/> Community led self-build housing scheme |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community owned Affordable Housing | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing (rented via Housing Association or District Council) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

15. Over the next fifteen years, which of the following types of housing do you think would be most appropriate in our parish? (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

Type of housing	Support in our parish
New build detached houses	
New build semi-detached houses	
New build terraces	
New build flats	
New build bungalows	
Barn conversions	
Agricultural tie housing	
Allow larger dwellings or farms to be divided into several smaller homes	
Multiple occupancy (e.g. converting/extending garage for a 'granny flat')	
Communal living (e.g. farmhouse occupied by several families or different generations of the same family with communal areas)	
Nursing home, rest home or respite care home	
Retirement housing (small units – maintained gardens and communal areas)	
Sheltered housing (small units with care/warden available on site)	
Work / live (light industrial or retail units with owners accommodation)	
Maisonette over shop/post office/pub/cafe	
Conversion of shops to housing	

16. Are there any additional comments relating to housing that you wish to make, which have not been addressed in the above questions?

ECONOMY AND EMPLOYMENT

Developing our local economy could bring many economic and employment benefits to our parish. To enable this we need to think about what types of local employment we wish to encourage, and what needs to be done to support this.

17. If you are currently in employment, how far do you travel to your place of work?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Work from home | <input type="checkbox"/> Within the parish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than one hour journey | <input type="checkbox"/> More than one hour journey |

18. Have you considered starting a business from home?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Already do |
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19. Have you considered working from home?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Already do |
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20. Would you be interested in using a local 'hot desk' facility (i.e. fully equipped local office space available for rent on a weekly, daily or hourly rate)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Already do |
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21. Would you welcome any of the following to support local employment opportunities?

PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Small retail units e.g. village or community shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Retail with living accommodation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work and live light industrial units | <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of a local work hub ('hot desking') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small industrial units / artisan units | <input type="checkbox"/> Farm shop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion of barns to workspace | <input type="checkbox"/> Faster broadband connection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expanding traditional agricultural enterprises | <input type="checkbox"/> Large scale Intensive agriculture and horticulture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: | |

22. What, if any, forms of small scale tourism related building or land use do you welcome in our parish?

(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yurt / teepee / Shepherds hut / Glamping etc | <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional small camping site (five tents or less) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small caravanning site (5 vans or less) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small hotel / Bed and Breakfast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pubs / restaurants / cafes | <input type="checkbox"/> Museums and Galleries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-catering accommodation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |

23. Do you feel the historic airfields of the Blackdown Hills are important assets to preserve?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> unsure |
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SOCIETY, COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Below is a list of services or facilities that you may use, either in our parish or nearby, we would like to know how often you use these. The second question addresses your desire for the provision of facilities not currently available in our parish.

Type of amenity	Question 24					Question 25	
	Never	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Less often	Yes	No
Village / community shop							
Farm shop							
Farm gate sales e.g. eggs							
Post office							
Petrol station							
Pub							
Pharmacy							
Doctors surgery							
Place of worship							
Youth club							
Childcare – home based							
Preschool or nursery							
Primary school							
Allotments							
Community orchard							
Park or recreation field							
Football / cricket pitch							
Tennis court							
Bowling green							
Play area (under 5s)							
Dog walking area							
BMX track							
Skate park/ramps/half pipe							
Multi-use games area							
Bus shelter							
Village / community hall							
Swimming pool							

26. Do you use the internet...

(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

to work from home

for personal shopping, banking, groceries etc.

for entertainment

to work at a business premises within the parish

to video call, email or social media friends and family

not at all

27. Do you think the internet adds new possibilities to rural living for you in terms of:

(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Working from home | <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping and services (banking, insurance etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging with local services | <input type="checkbox"/> Communicating with friends and family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Running a business locally | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify:

<hr/> | <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above |

PERSONAL SITUATION

28. Which age group are you and other members of your household in?

PLEASE PUT A NUMBER WHERE THERE ARE MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN AN AGE BRACKET

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 0-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5-9 | <input type="checkbox"/> 10-14 | <input type="checkbox"/> 15-19 | <input type="checkbox"/> 20-24 | <input type="checkbox"/> 25-29 | <input type="checkbox"/> 30-34 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 35-39 | <input type="checkbox"/> 40-44 | <input type="checkbox"/> 45-49 | <input type="checkbox"/> 50-54 | <input type="checkbox"/> 55-59 | <input type="checkbox"/> 60-64 | <input type="checkbox"/> 65-69 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 70-74 | <input type="checkbox"/> 75-79 | <input type="checkbox"/> 80-84 | <input type="checkbox"/> 85-89 | <input type="checkbox"/> 90+ | | |

29. Are you...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> in full time education | <input type="checkbox"/> in full time work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> in part-time work | <input type="checkbox"/> a full time carer (for children or adults) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> unemployed | <input type="checkbox"/> retired |
| <input type="checkbox"/> homemaker | <input type="checkbox"/> other, please specify: |

30. How long have you lived in the parish?

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 0-5 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 11-20 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 21-30 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 31+ years |
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Personal Details

Please note: Responses will be analysed by the Community Council of Devon on behalf of the Steering Group. After analysis, your questionnaire will be returned to the Parish Council for safekeeping. We will not pass on your details to anyone but to be entered in the prize draw and to be kept up to date on our Neighbourhood Plan, please leave your details below.

***REQUIRED FOR DRAW ENTRY**

***Name:**

***Address and postcode:**

***Email address (if you have one):**

Please make sure everyone in the household completes a questionnaire
for more chances to win the cash prize!

PLEASE RETURN BY 20th August TO ENTER THE PRIZE DRAW!