

Tavistock NDP Project Plan Update

October 15, 2023

Dear Councillors and Town Council Officers,

I am writing this letter to keep all councillors and officers informed regarding the progress of the developing Tavistock Neighbourhood Development plan. Please also note the updated project plan document and budget submitted with this letter.

As you will be aware, the steering group has been developing policies and gathering evidence to support those policies following adopting the plan's Vision Aims and Objectives in March 2023. All of the community volunteers on the group have contributed significant efforts over the last 6 months for which they deserve both recognition and praise as the town would not be building a neighbourhood plan without their efforts.

We are now approaching the next phase of the plan process, leading to formal consultation. The basic timeline that we are working towards is:

- Early November-January 2024: Proposed Policy language finalised and final evidence gathered alongside soft consultation with identified interested parties including TTC, WDBC, DNP, BID, Chamber of Commerce, landowners and community.
- February: Formal Reg 14 consultation begins for 6 weeks. This is the next opportunity for the entire community to give input and shape to the Tavistock Plan.
- March-April: Responses and amendments to consultation completed.
- May-June: Deliver amended plan and evidence alongside required documents to WDBC.
- Formal consultation and referendum to follow.

Your assistance in helping achieve this timeline would be greatly appreciated. Throughout the next 6 months I will be happy to receive queries, advice, comments on the policy and offers of help with any of the project management of the consultation process.

I am certain that with the collective wisdom and energy of the town council behind the project we will be able to offer our community a neighbourhood plan that will provide additional statutory protections and guidance applied to Tavistock's future development as well as support for important community actions identified during the plan's consultation.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Ursula Mann

Chair, Tavistock Neighbourhood Development Plan