

## STROUD TOWN COUNCIL RESPONSE TO EMERGING STRATEGY

### NDP – Neighbourhood Development Plan

Question	Response
1.0a	<p>No. Additional issues identified previously are;</p> <p><i>Improving the vitality and viability of our town centres within a changing environment of regional and online shopping</i></p> <p><i>Achieving a better transport system, to help reduce CO2 emissions, with an emphasis on limiting car use by extending the cycling and walking network and making improvements to public transport.</i></p> <p>The Council would also like to add;</p> <p>To meet the requirement to keep climate control well below 2 degrees, we need measures in place to achieve 75% carbon dioxide (co2) emissions by 2025.</p>
1.0b	<p>Yes, but more could be done.</p> <p>Issue 1: Match employment to the population Development done in a truly sustainable manner and include access facilities, e.g shops/health centres, without having to drive.</p> <p>Issue 4: All new houses required to be passivehaus standard A sustainability flood assessment should take place, due to concerns about the rising sea levels caused by climate change.</p> <p>Issue 5: Villages to expand a bit to enable young people to stay local</p>
2.1a	Yes
2.1b	The opening of stations at Stonehouse and Charfield on the Bristol line should be considered. This would allow for a more sustainable commute.
2.2a	Yes
2.2b	No comment
2.3a	Yes
2.3b	No comment
2.4a	Yes
2.4b	There is a missed opportunity to ensure there is provision for cemetery space. Stroud Town is running out of space and other parishes have either run out or have very limited space.
3.1a	No comment
3.1b	No comment
3.2a	Yes
3.2b	The Council would like to add to <i>SO5: Climate Change and environmental limits</i> – Allocation of land specifically for renewable energy generation.
4.2a	Yes. Support option 1.
4.2b	No comment

4.2c	No comment
4.2d	No comment
4.2e	No comment
4.3a	No
4.3b	No comment
4.3c	Yes. Through partnership working with parish/town councils and thorough consultation with members of the community and supporting the development of new NDPs or review of current NDPs.
4.4a	No comment
4.4b	No comment
4.4c	Yes – villages to expand a bit to enable young people to stay local
4.4d	No comment
4.4e	No comment
4.4f	No comment
5.0a	Yes (Stroud Valleys)
5.0b	No comment
5.0c	Yes (Stroud Valleys)
5.0d	Yes. Along with encouraging carbon neutral housing, the Town Council would like to request that every new property has solar panels and an electric vehicle charging point. The Council would also like to recommend that all new houses be required to have the passivehaus standard.
5.1a	Some growth is desirable, however PS13 in the Stroud Valleys includes the disused rugby pitch at Marling School. The Council would like to object to the loss of outdoor play space in line with the pledge to deliver ' <i>policy protection for important open spaces within settlements, outdoor recreation facilities, playing fields or allotments within or relating to settlements</i> ' P21 Local Green Spaces and Community Facilities (see also q2.4b)
6.1a	No comment

