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Bishops Lydeard and Cothelstone Parish Council

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1. Overview and objectives

Do you agree that these are the right Objectives for the Local Plan?

Not Answered

Please provide reasons for your answers (200 words max):

3. Sustainable locations

Question 2a: Do you agree with the tiers that identifies Taunton followed by 6 tiers covering the other settlements?

No

If not, what changes would you make and why? (200 words max):

The Parish Council strongly opposes the proposal that Bishops Lydeard should be placed in Tier 4 and considers it far more appropriate that it should fall within Tier 5 as a minor rural centre. Bishops Lydeard is a traditional village more akin to places such as Milverton, Creech St Michael and North Curry, rather than Wiveliscombe, Williton and Watchet which are small towns. One of the problems in Bishops Lydeard is that it is a long linear village with no centre. The shops, amenities and services are spread along the old road through the village. Because the shops, amenities and services are so spread out, people drive from one to the other, increasing the traffic along a village street which is already overused and quite frequently impassible.

Question 2b: Do you think Watchet and Williton should be seen as associated settlements for the purposes of the Local Plan due to their close proximity and in complementing the services of each other (and therefore be in a higher tier to Bishops Lydeard and Wiveliscombe)?

Not Answered

Please provide reasons for your answers (200 words max):

Question 2c: Do you think we should carry on with the way housing is currently distributed across our area (see pie chart) or should we be doing something different, such as one of the three options suggested below?

Not Answered

Please provide reasons for your answers (200 words max):

What else do you think about housing distribution in our area?

Please provide comments (250 words max):

Question 2d: Do you have any comments on these policy approaches?

Please provide comments (250 words max):