

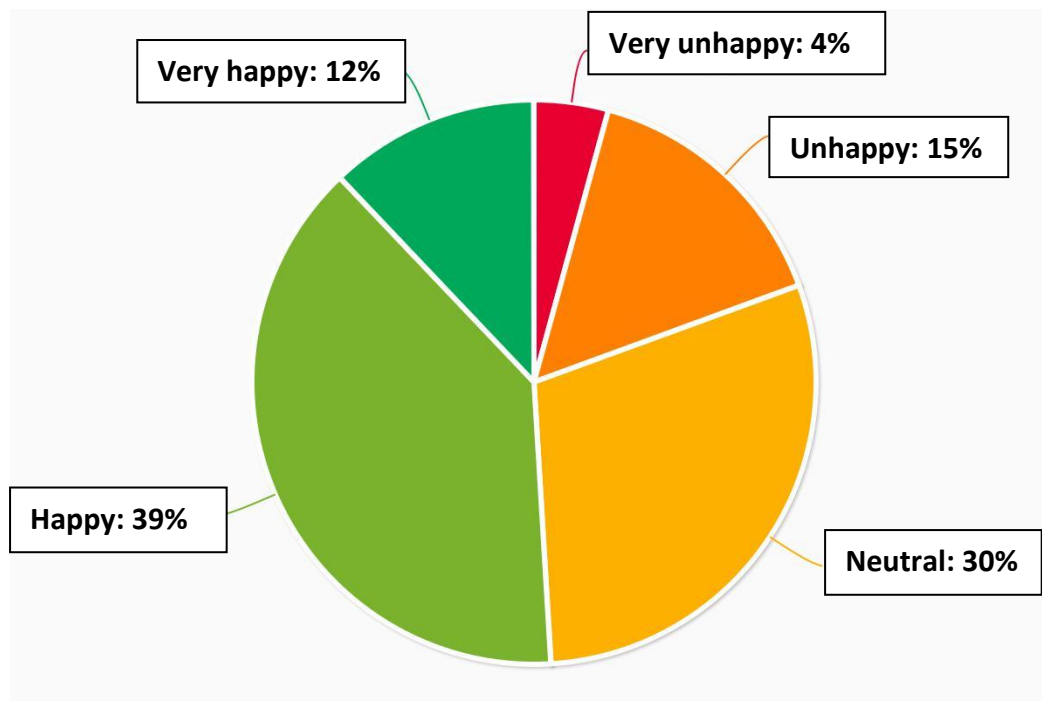
## **Vision**

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### **Proposed vision**

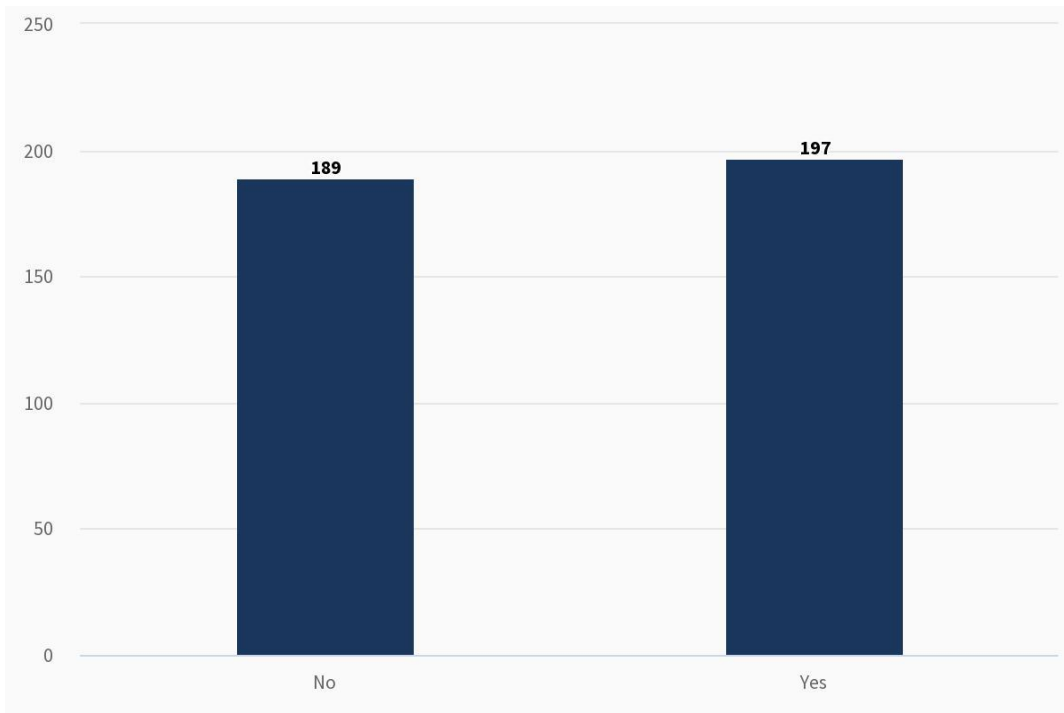
*“By 2040 our residents will live in healthy, accessible and inclusive communities, where quality homes, local facilities and employment opportunities provide our communities with green and welcoming places to live, work and play and respond positively to the climate emergency.”*

### **VIS1 How do you feel about this vision?**



In total, 422 responses were made to this question.

**VIS2 Does the vision cover the key matters of importance that the Local Plan can influence and inform? (Y/N)**



197 respondents (51%) answered yes, and 189 (49%) respondents answered no.

**VIS2a If no, please tell us what is missing from the vision and why this is important**

Comments from those who answered ‘No’ to VIS2.

Vision is too vague

A very vague statement that could be anywhere. It would be stronger if it drew on its specific characteristics, such as the proximity to the SDNP and its position as a largely rural county outside Surrey and London.
The phrase "a green and welcoming place to live" is too vague - green could just mean that there are plants! Also "respond positively to climate action" does not suggest that EHDC will actually take any action, despite having declared a 'climate crisis'.
'Local facilities' is too vague. People need local health care, decent shops, public transport
It is far too vague and general and totally misses the point that the SE has run out of room, no to mention water.
Vision is too vague
It's too Vague needs to be a specific measured achievable and timed target

too vague and full of platitudes
airy fairy rubbish.
Airy Fairy as usual
It gives no real details on how to achieve the vision. It is just waffle.
Doesn't really tell us anything, all a bit woolly.
just a bland collection of buzz words
It is too general.
It is full of platitudes and doesn't have any clear real objectives and therefore doesn't guide what it is aiming to do
no substance, no measures
The statement is too bland and is non committal. it needs to have people and environment equal, recognising that man needs a healthy and clean environment in which to thrive.
There's nothing specific about East Hampshire in this vision, it could be written about anywhere.
It's uninspiring and politically correct whilst saying nothing. East Hants aims to provide our citizens with an environment that provides leading experiences at all life stages for happiness, security and wellbeing.
Very non-specific -what factors defines a "Quality Home"? - how many people in what concentration does this apply to? In what way will this respond to the climate emergency? -wind turbines?, or earth housing design -far too general statement of aspirations
The vision is just waffle.
The vision is waffle
the vision as drafted could be cut'n'paste for anywhere and is therefore meaningless
It is more rhetorical than practical. It is designed to impress politicians rather than the public. It cannot be faulted in that it means everything to everyone.
Not sure that a generalised vision of one sentence is helpful, - no one will wish to live in an unhealthy, inaccessible, non inclusive, poor quality home.
The vision provides an aspiration which in isolation reads positively, but it includes little by the way of substance. Whilst the vision is not policy itself, it should set out a positive but realistic message of intention, which in EHDC's case must be to meet housing needs in full. At present it does not say this, and therefore we would suggest the following wording would be more appropriate (suggested additions are underlined): "By 2040 the East Hampshire district will allow all of our residents will to live in healthy, accessible and inclusive communities, where sufficient quality homes are provided for all, in sustainable and accessible locations, with local facilities and employment opportunities providing our communities with green and welcoming places to live, work and play and respond positively to the climate emergency. The vitality and viability of our existing settlements will be supported by allowing them to grow and thrive."

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Action / delivery / measurable / timescales

It's all just words, words, words. When will there be some action?

It's all bluster. Anyone can promise words, its delivering them that counts. Boris Johnson promised to fix all the potholes, yet this year they are the worst ever. Promises are pointless, results count for far more.

What is portrayed to locals and what they get are two different things Whitehill and Bordon have gained some new facilities but these have only replaced what was here previously we still need to get in our cars to get anywhere the green loop is a great recreational idea but you don't see people using it to commute to work so I would like to know exactly what is going to be done for transport to be made better and affordable some people currently rely on a bus service that quite frankly isn't fit for purpose some days resulting in someone not being able to get to work because the bus hasn't turned up everyone says the rail link would have cost way too much money but I bet your bottom dollar it would have been used and paid for itself in the end just imagine if we had a train station people could cycle or walk there jump on the train and away they go

why is it going to take another 18 years to reach the goals listed above

No set targets for key points in the timeline.

There needs to be a clear link to some robust deliverables.

Accountability and responsibility for making it happen. Twenty odd years ago we were all given to believe that Local Plans were the way forward, this completely failed. There has been no accountability for the continuing complete failure to keep the plans up-to-date meaning developers just ride roughshod through the system with no regard for local communities. We also suffer the ridiculous situation where EHDC is 'responsible' for some things & HCC for others and certainly in terms of planning there does not appear to be any joined up thinking or accountability. Why is it important... Simple, to meet the NEEDS of the existing local communities.

The 'vision' as stated is just an impossible to deliver wish list

Not enough definition - what does "welcoming" really mean for example and how do you measure "positive response to climate emergency"?

This is purely a tick box process which the council use to pretend the care about local residents concerns

The slogan is just a Power Point vision statement and doesn't include any measurable or accountable objectives.

It is unachievable and this is based on what has been achieved from the previous plans

The Vision is just words and is very unlikely to be able to be achieved through the existing planning system and Local Plan

There is no realistic arrival point in the vision and nothing the vision can be measured against

What is presented in the vision is beyond what a local plan could deliver. It's a local plan vision not a utopian dream.

The vision just sets out a utopian view. Nothing about the difficult and unpleasant compromises that will have to be made to provide housing on the beautiful East Hants countryside. Because that is what it comes to: ALL development, small, large, spread out or concentrated is using green agricultural land.

Ehdc will not be able to influence most of the ideals in the Vision.

2040! What about now!

There is no vision for the here and now. It is all for the young and those buying into the area now.

I think there is an almost blindly optimistic hope that the local area is going to provide every social, domestic, leisure, work and business opportunity needed by a growing population. I don't consider this realistic.

Democracy - in Alton we have an autocratic town council with minimal representation being offered to many. It's all well and good offering your vision but if it's not partnered with transparent and honest democratic representation many of the issues we have will persist.

I think that vision statements have been overtaken by events although they do have some use

The vision is very ambitious and, so far, has not been achieved in a balanced way to date. Focus has been heavily and excessively geared towards house construction to the detriment of transport services, healthcare facilities and services (and without these the planning authority and council cannot achieve a healthy environment for the community. Existing healthcare provision is already buckling under the pressure of a greater number of residents and lack of hospital clinics. At the moment it appears the vision is being seen through rose-tinted lenses which purport to be proving 20/20 vision but in reality is severely clouded and not functioning at all well.

To meet any achievable vision your objectives need not only to be clear but SMART in function too - so Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Timely. It's not acceptable to existing residents to say your vision of utopia is to be achieved by 2040. We need a fully functioning transport infrastructure in place much earlier than 2040, but as it stands EHDC only want to achieve this by 2040. That's a long time to wait for the town and surrounding villages. So, perhaps stop building any more houses until we have adequate healthcare facilities in the area including a fully functioning hospital rather than just a health hub (seems to be Forest and Badgerswood surgeries being replaced by the Health Hub). Green and welcoming places to live are no good without essential infrastructure - transport, shops, supermarkets. Without shops, supermarkets and businesses there's little opportunity for work if you're looking to contain residents in an area by delaying transport. Let's not forget, Hampshire is a large county, somewhat

disjointed by the National Park and because of this inequality for Hampshire residents there's also inequality of services and facilities because there's too much focus of building houses, houses and more houses in just a few areas which is quite suffocating

No set targets for key points in the timeline.

The vision statement lacks a longer-term vision that looks further ahead (at least 30 years), as required by paragraph 22 of the NPPF. It also lacks the objective of making sufficient provision or housing (including affordable housing).

#### Biodiversity / wildlife / landscape / environment

No reference to biodiversity/ wildlife protection or keeping EH unique in terms of character and landscape.

No mention of improving biodiversity/wildlife habitats or preserving the countryside and the character of the district)

Protections for wild spaces for and green belt

Explicit biodiversity

Needs a section covering biodiversity/wildlife also protecting the character of the area

'Sustainability' is also key. We must not ignore the existing biodiversity crisis. Therefore, in addition to tackling the climate emergency, we must also stop the unsustainable destruction, pollution and consumption of natural habitats and resources.

Would like reference to protection of the environment and that development should be sustainably located

The Local Plan 2040 Vision should include "whilst retaining areas of natural beauty and protecting rural gaps between communities." Therefore the answers to the consultation questions are "unsure" and "No". No because the retention of rural and farming districts and gaps between settlements has not been included. In addition, certain important phrases are not shown in the glossary, eg "operations net-zero".

No mention of improving biodiversity/wildlife habitats or preserving the countryside and the character of the district

Protect and enhance local green space and the animals and plants that live there.

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Just saying 'green' does not make a case for the importance of protecting natural habitats, respecting the natural environment and promoting food security by ensuring that development does not impact on good agricultural and grazing land.

Access to countryside as an amenity and a reason many people live here.

More reference to preservation of our beautiful landscapes and setting whilst providing suitable affordable housing for all
No mention of protecting East Hampshire's internationally important wildlife biodiversity, endangered habitats from population increase, preserving historic landscapes or protecting local distinctiveness eg vernacular architecture and design, local building materials
No mention what so ever of protecting East Hampshire's amazing wildlife biodiversity, historic landscapes or local distinctiveness much of which exists OUTSIDE the SDNP
protection of green spaces and countryside
There is no commitment to protecting the irreplaceable countryside from development
Preservation of trees
The vision should emphasise prioritising access to green space etc, not just providing it.
It sounds good but doesn't say anything about protecting the landscape outside the National Park. As the area outside the National Park will have to shoulder most development, it is particularly important that care is taken to protect its landscape.
Maintaining green space and not overdeveloping the area
The area is being over built, nature seems to be an after thought if thought of at all, only when it helps with funding.
Mostly good but there must be attempts to make whatever is built actually beautiful, so that it adds to the landscape rather than making it worse as is often the case.
Ensuring the maintenance of our beautiful countryside, protecting the national park from overdevelopment, actively prohibiting unlawful development that damages our national park and its carefully preserved environment
I don't know that you can have green and welcoming places to live if you've built all over them!
I suggest the addition of the words in italics "..... with green and welcoming places to live, work and play and respond positively to the climate emergency within an environment in which natural beauty and wildlife is protected and new development is sustainably located"
The current Local Plan recognises and protects the high quality landscape and natural environment of the local plan area and this is reflected in the later Environment Topic. This needs to be made clear in the 2040 Vision and in our view the reference to "green and welcoming places to live, work and play" does not achieve this. Nor is there any reference to the need for development to be sustainably located. We suggest the addition of the words in italics "..... with green and welcoming places to live, work and play and respond positively to the climate emergency within an environment in which natural beauty and wildlife is protected and new development is sustainably located"
We consider that this vision completely fails to show the ambition of restoring East Hampshire's natural environment, which underpins the fundamental future resilience of the district. As well as providing homes and policies for tackling the climate emergency,

the local plan should be central to restoring and reconnecting habitats and this should thus be reflected in the vision. This is especially important for East Hampshire's district as the gateway to the South Downs National Park. Climate, biodiversity, green spaces and challenges such as flooding, drought, water and heat stress need to be holistically tackled in an ambitious local plan, rather than the inappropriate approach of siloeing these interconnected themes. This local plan represents a significantly less developed understanding of these issues compared to many comparable districts across the region.

Climate emergency

The vision is far too weak on environmental issues, particularly the climate emergency.

There should be a more ambitious statement about tackling the climate emergency. This should appear first in the vision statement rather than last

The vision leaves responding to the climate emergency to the local communities rather than the district council taking some responsibility for tacking it - and not making it worst.

There needs to be more emphasis on the ways the emissions will be reduced. Transport is a major contributor. Planning and infrastructure should encourage the use of green public transport and reduction of use of petrol car.

By pretending there is a 'climate emergency' in Hampshire is just an excuse to pile massive 'green' costs on to buildings with no economic or environmental justification.

All the aims listed are laudable and need to be there but I would like to see reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and protection of biodiversity acknowledged as the driving force in every decision made and every project planned in the district. All the things mentioned in the vision will be measurably better for East Hants residents if this is the case.

It assumes everyone agrees there is a climate emergency. Green and welcoming places to live are being eroded by housing..

Constantly building on fields cannot be supporting the climate emergency

There is no climate emergency

No mention of net zero or any sort of carbon reduction

You have to address the problems of good and affordable public transport if you wish to address climate change

Nothing is missing. There is no climate emergency. Spend the money on the real issues.

Climate emergency... should come first not be an afterthought

There should be more focus about tackling the climate emergency

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With regards to climate emergency, most people are concerned about climate change and the environment and we should put more effort into actually following the newest, stricter rules and guidelines instead of trying to find ways to get around them (e.g. preventing nitrates from reaching sensitive rivers), existing green spaces should be protected instead of being built over.

It is nowhere near ambitious enough regarding climate and nature to be considered a "greenest ever" Local Plan. It fails to mention the climate emergency or the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Economic development and environmental education - without these, tackling the climate emergency will not succeed.

The vision contains important elements but lacks the climate and nature ambition to support the greenest ever Local Plan. For example, it does not mention the nature crisis or the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the words respond positively to the climate emergency suggest only a modest improvement, and the reference to quality homes and green places does not include low emission buildings. It could be re-worded in a more ambitious and inspiring way. For example see the vision statement in the Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire District Council's Local Plan: We want Greater Cambridge to be a place where a big decrease in our climate impacts comes with a big increase in the quality of everyday life for all our communities. New development must minimise carbon emissions and reliance on the private car; create thriving neighbourhoods with the variety of jobs and homes we need; increase nature, wildlife and green spaces; and safeguard our unique heritage and landscapes.

The Vision should be explicit that the plan and its development strategy should seek to ensure that attractive sustainable travel opportunities are facilitated and provided. The Plan should be clear that it is seeking to address housing needs for everyone and in particular affordable housing without which key economic and social elements of sustainable development are prejudiced. Evidently, in the light of the national legally-binding commitment to net zero by 2050, and the Council's own stance on the Climate Emergency the vision must demonstrate a proactive approach to planning for the climate emergency. It is a fundamental requirement that we do not meet today's needs including for housing while prejudicing future generations meeting theirs. The Plan needs even greater focus on tackle the emissions that cause climate change of which those rising from personal mobility represent the largest single component and the only one that is rising relatively and absolutely. The National Decarbonisation Strategy for Transport (July 2021) makes plain that a substantial and immediate reduction in the number and proportion of trips made by car is essential to achieving the trajectory, especially in the shorter term. Therefore, the role of active travel and public transport to achieving the Vision should be considered absolutely fundamental. Page 4 of the consultation document states the best quality homes to be built in the best places, to meet all the needs of our residents in the most sustainable way possible. We want our new Local Plan to be as proactive as possible in meeting the challenges of the climate emergency and to ensure any development is as sustainable as possible. We believe this is possible, but only if the Vision is explicitly steering the plan-making process in that direction. Given that emissions reduction from all new buildings will be achieved through national polices notably the changes to national building regulations- and from wider decarbonisation of the grid, transport and mobility is by far the biggest and most challenging area of decarbonisation that the Council should seek to address through the Plan, and must do so through its spatial strategy, and strategic allocations directly and tightly conforming to it. To achieve the Vision, that development is as sustainable as possible the Plan must seek to identify an optimised spatial strategy that is strongly directed to locations where both short and

longer distance journeys can be met by sustainable modes “ especially those that are beyond a short walking distance, where public transport is the only realistic alternative. We urge that the wording of the vision is amended as follows: By 2040 our residents will live in healthy, accessible and inclusive communities, where quality homes, local facilities and employment opportunities and sustainable travel choices provide our communities with green and welcoming places to live, work and play and maximise our response to the climate emergency. We are also concerned that the Council no longer apparently considers that meeting housing needs should be a focus for the Plan. The omission of homes for all or a front door for everyone which was in a previous version raises serious concerns to us. As well as being excise from the Vision it is not mentioned at all on page 9 which lists Strategic Objectives.

Sustainability

the need to ensure sustainability in terms of travel is missing as drafted this policy would be consistent with large number of private sector road based commuting

and the concept of sustainability is not even mentioned

Infrastructure

Better infrastructure such as more buses and a train or tram station to put Bordon on the map and bring people from outside to the new regeneration area. I feel there needs to be more for children in the area and others for entertainment such as bowling you have enough land around for this where you could potentially have rock climbing like craggy island or a trampoline park. I feel this is missing in the area but also will create jobs

The vision can't be achieved without infrastructure in particular roads and JOINED UP public transport public

We feel that the word "transport" should be included after "local facilities". This transport infrastructure is fundamental to the success of any substantial development.

The community, facilities and infrastructure perspectives rarely match the levels or types of housing

there should be emphasis on creating proper infrastructure to support development, including access by road, train, bus etc as we not all going to live in an enclosed utopian bubble, as your vision suggests

Not all, key information regarding infrastructure missing.

We need a SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE - to support the vision

Where in this vision are the critical improvements to the infrastructure that will allow the vision to merge?

The vision focuses on communities but lacks consideration of the broader environment within which EHDC will establish and develop these communities e.g. infrastructure

The South needs to provide infrastructure in terms of energy production either nuclear power stations and/or wind and solar farms. It is not acceptable for the South to rely on

other areas of the country to provide this. The same goes for the South Downs, they need to accept that they must provide a substantial part of their own energy requirements
East Hants is geographically spread out area and transport is a vital part of any vision for everyone to have their own front door . These "front doors" need to be accessible by more than the walking distance proposals so the affect of meeting the climate emergency negates the walking proposal. In this instance the provision of environmentally friendly transport and the supporting infrastructure. In the more rural areas I don't see how these conflicting requirements can be met by simple strategy.
Local infrastructure is important as well as local facilities for welcoming place-making e.g. increased housing development brings more traffic on B roads which may not have sufficient capacity to make them safe.
No plans for infrastructure
Current infrastructure is crumbling. There is no point developing new housing until this is fixed and made future-proof
Infrastructure needs to be part of this Vision. All new housing needs to have solar panels and adequate insulation which needs to be in the Vision.
Will be more housing and not enough doctors etc
Over emphasis on politically correct virtue signalling instead of tackling real issues impacting infrastructure
The community and local infrastructure and facilities never keep pace with new housing. New housing doesn't appear to be that high quality and
Having decent transport links without these people will continue to use their cars which isn't good for our carbon footprint
Country sports and pastimes
Connectivity through public transport and active travel
Transport
and local services, for example GP, Pharmacy, and schools, are fully funded to support local communities and their planned expansions
Over-build in local non-urban areas is not reflected in any plan to provide traffic management, additional schools, additional medical facilities, or prevent the continuous application by aggressive developers to take advantage of infill locations despite multiple planning denials (including failed appeals) for those spaces.
Education? Why isn't education part of the vision?
Local transport options are missing. No mention of sustainable, regular, reliable low price public transport options.

Transport and shopping needs a mention. Today virtually everyone in the area is forced to use a car to shop because the public transport options are poor and the shops are not in the centres of community
local facilities too broad - what cultural activities will you provide?
Transport needs to be considered - the overuse of private cars in Hampshire is a problem. Lack of infrastructure and mis-informed Settlement Hierarchy definitions is a massive constraint of top of 53% of EH in SDNP. Yes more area specificity is required each area is different and has its own additional benefits and constraints.
What is missing is the capacity for supporting more and more people cars and houses. Our facilities are already full to bursting and we certainly don't need more people cars and damage to the local environment
How the drive to put the majority of imposed building requirements into a "small" amount of Hampshire not part of a national park. And how the infrastructure is going to be developed alongside this building.
Facilities are seriously lacking
Without proper infrastructure for the younger generation they will leave the area and where does all the carers for an aging population come from?
Public transport that can get people to work in surrounding areas- there basically isn't any
This process has been ongoing for years and there is little sign of the supporting infrastructure as yet.
Communities should be healthy, accessible, well-connected and inclusive. The ability to travel easily, with adequate transport infrastructure is important.

### Affordable housing

I believe there must be a specified target for social housing making access to having a home available for all residents in Petersfield given the damning state of private rentals.
There is no mention of making homes, of whatever size, affordable.
The lack of vision regarding truly affordable housing with low running costs
Variety of homes that every pocket can afford, mixed together rather than separated into wealth brackets, avoiding 'them and us' attitude and encouraging understanding and a view of life to stimulate personal growth and development. "Living and Working Together".
Doesn't address affordability of new homes
The vision is good but majority of homes built in the district are unaffordable for local people.
Stats show an aging population and retirement properties are too expensive for the masses therefore they are remaining in their own homes longer. There is a need for more affordable housing for our younger population who will not have inherited monies due to

that being used on care, care homes and supplement of health by older parents, therefore no large deposits to buy houses and jobs that don't pay fair wages means do affording of mortgages.

## Housing

The local environment is losing farmland, agriculture, green spaces. The vision should concentrate on reducing further house building to zero. There has been more than enough speculative planning already over the past few years.

Preventing urbanisation of village communities, overdevelopment, high density developments

The percentage of Housing planned for

There is a chronic need for more housing. In the previous draft this was highlighted and the tag line "A front door for everyone" neatly summed this up. Councils are routinely canvassed to refuse housing developments, invariably by those who already have their own home. Those who need homes almost never speak up to support more housing. It is therefore necessary for the Council to speak up for those who do not and make provision of housing a top priority

It ignores the third of people who are struggling to keep their heads above water, let alone those who have no home

Your vision is based on growth, and I believe that East Hampshire is already overcrowded. You acknowledge that the current population is aging, yet you fail to acknowledge that once this aging population dies, there will likely be a surfeit of housing from existing stock. Your vision as presented in this survey lacks necessary details.

The Vision implies that these benefits will be delivered to existing residents. However, according to the HEDNA the plan for the distribution of new housing is focussed on providing housing from people who currently live outside our district.

You talk about quality of homes but not quantity. Our children and grandchildren will need homes in the future.

Quality homes but no mention of self build opportunities ( even if you do control the design to be incorporated in the plan) to comply with serviced plots etc, therefore homes supplied by construction companies rather than passive houses or homes with green credentials as per the majority of self builders who have MASSIVE plans to be as eco friendly and environmentally conscious as possible. A HUGE gap in your plan.

Is it possible for the Local Plan to govern quality of new housing. If so, why has nothing been done over the last 10 years or more?

To protect the area from over development

The Vision should include the 'front door for everyone' objective as in the previous draft version of the Vision as well as maximising the response to climate change.

## Population / people

Quantum's a clear issue as it drives spatial strategy and delivery. Subject to government impending change. Reflect the constraints age profile, dwelling types, tenures, and real affordability. Housing development needs to meet demographic and economic challenges identified in HEDNA - % of population over 65 but in different needs groups, real affordability, tenure, and real sustainability.
Doesn't mention population density
Any understanding of the 2021 census data
It talks generically about residents as opposed to recognise different life stages and the importance of ensuring there are opportunities for people at all life stages, with a focus on younger people as we need to retain them in the area and encourage more to move here given the 40% stat
The vision should also respect the wishes of the current residents along with the exiting green and built environment.
It does not cover limiting house/population growth. The emphasis on inclusion and welcoming heavily implies servicing significant incomer population, support and prioritisation of the natural growth of households in the existing population should be explicitly mentioned as a primary target of the vision
What about the changes in Demographic make-up of the region.

## Employment

More employment opportunities
What about emerging post-Covid habits of work and commuting

## Communities / quality of life

It lacks a real sense of the interconnectedness of true communities - so much is now being delivered via volunteers/charities or informal networks - how do we create strong communities that live, work and dream together?
Community cohesion and agility.
Quality of life for people already living here
Clarity and transparency, honesty and integrity, equality and fairness – don't allow your plans to impact only a few communities - it must apply to all communities in East Hampshire. Fair and equal access to all services without restriction
active communities through volunteering and community engagement
You are missing two key areas; quality of life (holistically) and flexibility. It isn't just about quality of the built environment, that's narrow thinking - it is about how a quality built

environment contributes positively to everyone`s overall quality of life, from the start to the end. And, of course, whatever is planned has to be planned and executed with flexibility in mind as these are long-term considerations and will have to bend and evolve as circumstances require.

Quality of life for people already living here

### Rural communities

For anyone living in rural communities there seems no consideration. Local facilities, job opportunities and accessibility wont change.

whilst also protecting the character and enhancing qualities of existing rural communities

Maintain the rural character and way of life in our villages

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### South Downs National Park

The council have failed to address the unjust proportion of housing requirements between the SDNP and the remainder of the district.

In terms of planning and taking forward environmental strategies of the National Park will impact on the steps that can be taken in East Hampshire, fo example using wind power or solar power will not be acceptable to the National Park and yet this could be a great resource for Petersfield and district in terms of natural resources for energy.

I know this consultation is about space outside the SDNP, but such a HUGE part of East Hants is within the SDNP and with current 'rules' that means the vision is unachievable as it shoe horns so much infrastructure into so little space within the District. There is brown field land within the SDNP in towns like Petersfield. There is easily identifiable housing infill within towns like Petersfield within the SDNP. Policy has to change so the development in East Hants outside the SDNP is proportionate to the land / space and within the SDNP, no reason why housing etc cannot be planned effectively. The main SDNP vistas should be protected, but to say "no development within the SDNP is bad policy. It is all down to how one segments it.

What is missing is the fact that currently 72.5% of the population reside in approx 40% of the area due to the SDNP, and this imbalance will worsen if any of the spatial strategies set out are adopted.

This consultation is misleading in that the plan only refers to 43% of the district outside the SDLP, and in fact refers to only 30% of the district once you take into account he protections of the heathland near Bordon. It is not a plan for the District and does not explain that the LPA cannot build houses in the remaining 70%. This is unacceptable.

## Other comments

Stopping the decay of Alton town centre and reviving and encouraging local traders e.g. where can I go in Alton to buy reasonably priced clothes?

By starting the vision with the words 'By 2040 our residents will live in ...' it implies that we don't have a positive feeling about where we live now.

needs to refer specifically to the unique or special aspects of East Hants.

The consultation documentation, including four pages on the Consultation Strategy at the end, is some 63 pages long. It has lots of pretty graphics, jargon, and some questionable statements (such as that to be found on page 13/23 East Hampshire is extremely unaffordable without any evidence produced

It does not stop overdevelopment in some areas while others are free from development

For Bordon and Whitehill - an ever growing regenerating town. It's difficult to believe the community and residents best interests are being catered for by EHDC. Granted it's now 2023 and you state that this will happen by 2040. Bordon and Whitehill is not really accessible. Transport infrastructure both within and commuting out of the immediate area is wholly inadequate and somewhat unreliable. Bordon and Whitehill is not yet totally inclusive - there are too many barriers within the regenerated town for disabled and mobility affected residents for it to be considered inclusive. Disabled parking facilities and availability to facilities and services are extremely poor. There's one lift by the Shed, but no ramp. The Health Hub is centralised at one of the highest points in the regenerated town and without adequate transport infrastructure in place this means older less mobile residents are at an immediate disadvantage in accessing these facilities - if ever the Health Hub materialises. There's inadequate medical services currently available in the regenerated town already and pressures in local GP practices make it difficult for residents to access medical services and facilities. The facilities available so far are not inclusive as there's many hurdles preventing everyone from using the services and facilities - disabled parking bays, having to pay astronomical fees to park at The Shed, lack of quality employment opportunities, dearth of a complete range of shopping facilities. The climate emergency is exacerbated and worsened by chopping down mature trees to build more houses for the trees to be replaced by immature saplings which don't have the capacity of mature trees to help the environment.

It is considered that the vision needs to explicitly include reference to growth.

Unlike the vision of the Council's place-making strategy 2019, the draft vision of the Local Plan does not refer to the District's heritage, which we believe is a missed opportunity. One way to tackle this would be to change green places to sustainable places. This would also avoid any uncertainty about the term green e.g. does this refer to green infrastructure or is it a colloquial term, more synonymous with sustainable? Note the term green is used later in the Plan when commenting on net zero buildings to refer to the use of renewable energy. Alternatively, if the Council would consider expanding the vision a little, we'd recommend the addition of a clause such as shown below (also including the change to green): By 2040 our residents will live in healthy, accessible and inclusive communities, where quality homes, local facilities and employment opportunities provide our communities with sustainable, green and welcoming places to live, work and play, making the most of the District's natural, built and historic environment and responding positively to the climate emergency.



**VIS2 Does the vision cover the key matters of importance that the Local Plan can influence and inform?**

**VIS2a If no, please tell us what is missing from the vision and why this is important**

Comments from those who provided a comment despite answering 'Yes', or not answering.

Transport, education and other essential public services
Could usefully change "climate emergency" to "climate and nature emergency".
Specific areas that would be under further development
Road traffic around the area must be catered for. At present it isn't!
All a bit woolly and doesn't really tell us anything. Whole online consultation difficult to navigate.
Could also include transport and infrastructure (internet)
Whilst the vision highlights the climate emergency, it does not make it central that communities need to be designed to protect and enhance what is left of the natural world, for our children's future, be as climate-resilient as possible to cope with extreme weather, and aim to achieve a 50% reduction in CO2 emissions by 2030 as required by the Government's Climate Change Committee.
Vision is fine but why 2040 and not 2030? The reality is that most progress in these areas has got worse recently - less accessible, less environmentally friendly, less renewable energy etc
Protecting and enhancing biodiversity, whereas you are including references to economic growth and business
It does not seem to address the current problem of houses being built in the wrong place to the wrong specification. We should be replacing inefficient low density homes with heat-efficient high density, without destroying what's left of the countryside.
The recognition that there may not be growth let alone sustainable growth if we have a recession
a little more explanation
Focus on smaller local housing associations that focus on the area exclusively and aren't paying huge Executive salaries
I don't think it should say accessible and inclusive as we should be thinking like this anyway.
Environmental objectives must be top in every assessment and analysis of strategic planning

It is far too woolly, and doesn't not reflect the declaration of a climate emergency

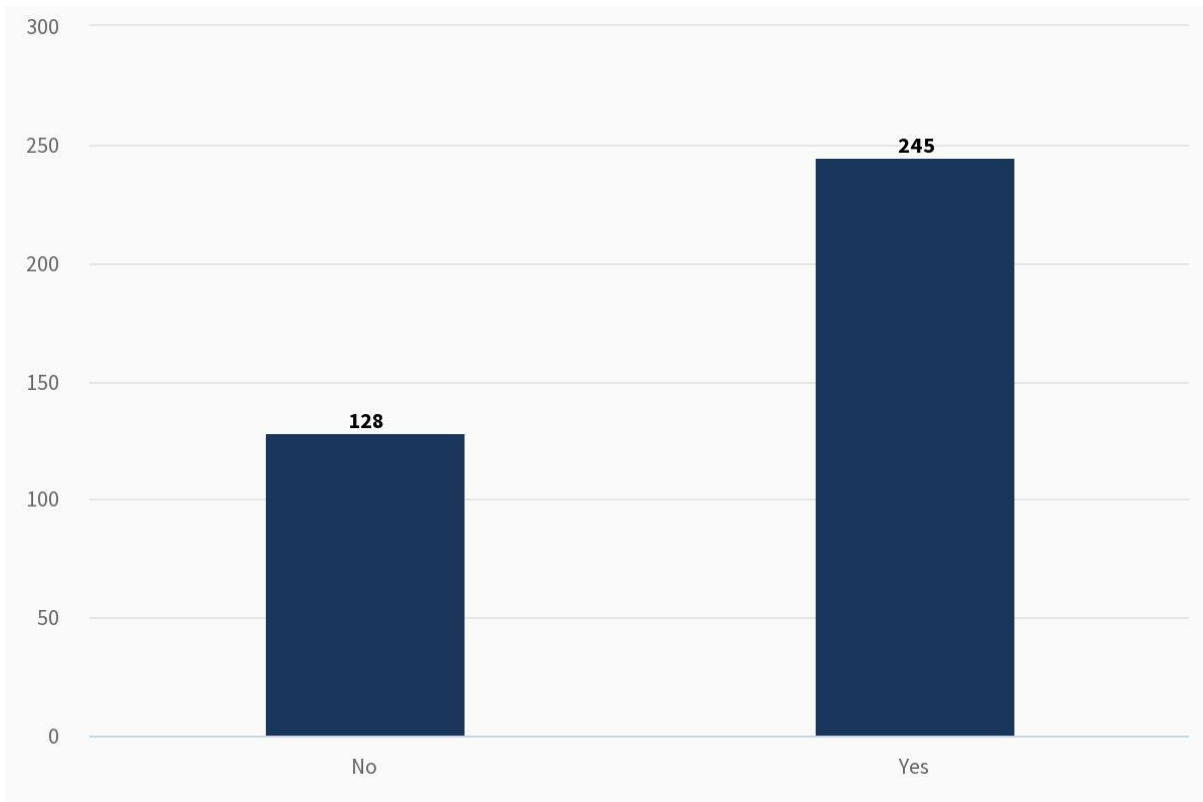
Scott Planning has been instructed by Hazeley Developments to promote the site known as Beverley Farm for inclusion as an allocation within the Emerging East Hampshire Local Plan. As part of that, we have been asked to make representations to the current (November 2022 - January 2023) Issues and Option (Reg. 18 Part 1) consultation. As the same time, we have submitted the site to the January 2023 Call for Sites, which is being run concurrently with the Local Plan consultation. The Call for Sites Statement draws on technical input from specialist consultants covering highways and access (Bellamy Roberts) and landscape impact (UBU Design) and include layout options prepared as part of a capacity study by T2 Architects. The Issues and Options consultation is broad in scope, taking in issues such as the amount of greenhouse gas emissions generated by new development, renewable energy generation and the design of new buildings. As environmentally and socially conscious developers, Hazeley go to great lengths to ensure that the homes that they built are well designed and exhibit high environmental standards, we believe such matters are for the local community to decide. As such, these representations focus on the overall amount and distribution of development, within the Population and Housing and Development Options parts of the consultation.

The Vision (as drafted) does not make it clear that housing needs will be fully met. a previous iteration of the Vision referred to providing a Front Door for Everyone. We consider that this wording (or an appropriate equivalent) should be reincluded within the content of the Vision.

The vision could mention the need to provide sufficient housing within the East Hants area.

What is special about East Hampshire? We believe it is special but do not believe that comes across in your document, we think it needs to.

**VIS3 Should the vision be more specific about areas of the district being planned for through the Local Plan? (Y/N)**



245 respondents (65%) answered yes, and 128 respondents (35%) answered no.

**VIS3a Please explain your answer**

Explanations from those who answered 'Yes'.

Everywhere is different / got individual needs and issues

The district includes areas with widely differing characteristics and populations and the "vision" and its objectives should take this into account

Each area in East Hampshire is different - some urban, some semi-rural, some rural, and some inside the SDNP. Community facilities vary enormously, as does the current built landscape, recent planned, windfall, & speculative developments often with little or no accompanying infrastructure. Current population levels, densities, and demographic mix create different communities and cultures.

Although our towns are relatively small, the issues affecting them differ substantially from the rural villages - the vision does not reflect this

It's all very general, different areas have different needs

The issues are not same in the large towns as in the rural villages

Different parts of the district have their own distinct character. These should be maintained as far as possible. It wouldn't be good to have urban sprawl across the villages.
one size fits all doesn't work
Each area has specific needs , differences in circumstances and challenges so a generic Vision cant adequately address these
Villages have different characters and cannot all be subjected to exactly the same vision
Each town has a different set of issues that need addressing. Having a global plan does not directly address these
It's to large and different of an area to have a single plan.
Different areas have different needs and opportunities
Hampshire is a diverse county so planning should be as local as possible
it's too general - each area is different needs
The District is more rural than urban and the local plan should reflect that
Some specific areas needs are more/less than others
Should be made relevant to particular communities
Perhaps not initially, but as it develops there needs to be specific granularity to match specific localised needs

### Different locations

It's self evident. This is not a plan for the District.
Generic vision are not suitable for disparate communities and locations
Without geographic context, the questions and statements are broad brushed, and therefore meaningless
because East Hants is not a homogeneous area, but comprises many distinct and varied settlements.
The area is diverse and the vision needs to be targeted and tailored to the locality
There are very different settings - we should recognise the differences larger towns, smaller villages, hamlets and rituals isolated residents - the plan will need to cater for these in different ways.
For example - does this only apply to urban areas where it's easy to build/expand into inclusive community areas. or is ti a whole district vision.
Areas of the district being planned for - what does that statement mean? Geographical areas? Existing settlements? New settlements?

because there is a large area with diversity of existing surroundings
How can the local plan be properly formed if there is not a detailed appraisal of where we are starting from? Exactly where are the existing bottlenecks to achieving the vision. Is there local employment, is road/junction capacity OK and sustainable, are schools in the right place to promote a usable walk/scoot/ride environment. If any of these fail it should be an automatic NO to any development planning application until the issues are properly resolved.
There needs a clear distinction between existing communities especially villages, established towns, and the new developments e.g. in Bordon. They all have different and potentially conflicting needs
There are many plans for Bordon, how would this vision address this
The statement is fine for a vision but doesn't provide clear guidance on how it will be deployed or interpreted. Does it apply to specific areas within East Hants etc.?
Don't focus on select areas only - there should be no unfair treatment for certain communities within the East Hampshire area and boundaries
Don't just overload the main centres of population. Villages are dying through an aging and reducing population. If a village is reasonably accessible to local services then keep the vitality of that village by pushing (not just allowing!) its expansion.
I live at the southern end of the district. Therefore, 'developing' Alton, say, will not help me, and vice-a-versa.
Whilst the plan has to provide for appropriate new growth it is clear that some areas are better suited to accommodate that growth, which negates the risk of urban sprawl and harm to designated areas.

### Too vague

Yes, it's a very generic vision
The main statement in bold - is just waffle. Anyone could promise that. How about specifics.
It is too vague and general to really mean much
Vague when covering a large area
Too vague
Yes of course it should otherwise it remains far too vague
Part of the benefit of East Hampshire is its character, the vision could be anywhere.
because this statement is very vague and ambiguous
Any further specificity would be appreciated. It is very vague.

As it stands the 'vision' is far too vague
This vision is completely unspecific as to how it will be implemented specifically and in reality. Simply calling it a vision does not mean it should be so vague
How can we express our opinions about your vision plan if we don't know exactly what it involves, and what exactly you plan to do?
Specificity is much easier to act on, actually get something done, than vagueness.
Needs to be specific and not just generalisations
Happy that the vision is "out there" however not sure it is specific enough about what it will look and feel like by 2040. I would add a bit more tangible elements

## SDNP

What is significant is that this claims to be an East Hampshire plan, but in practice it represents only around 30% of the District once the SDLP and protections of heathland around Bordon are taken into account.
The imbalance between areas inside and outside of SDNP should be addressed as a matter of urgency, otherwise communities within the Park will stagnate whilst those outside will be overdeveloped, and the transport issue will be worsened.
That the contribution to the vision should be shared equally inside and outside of the national park
Because much of area is in SDNPA
Some areas seem to be passed over in some plans. The South Downs and East Hants need to be considered together
SDNP and non SDNP area cannot currently be treated the same
The VISION must recognise local constraints and force SDNP to support the community and not just their own selfish needs.
the area is limited due to the south downs national park being around Liphook
The South Downs National Park shall be subservient to the wishes of the local communities.
The there areas outside the park are very different in nature and should have their own visions.
It is reasonably important to state that the vision only relates to those areas of East Hampshire that are outside the SDNP.
SDNP need to build more houses
I repeat my answer to VIS2 ref; I know this consultation is about space outside the SDNP, but such a HUGE part of East Hants is within the SDNP and with current 'rules' that means the vision is unachievable as it shoe horns so much infrastructure into so little

space within the District. There is brown field land within the SDNP in towns like Petersfield. There is easily identifiable housing infill within towns like Petersfield within the SDNP. Policy has to change so the development in East Hants outside the SDNP is proportionate to the land / space and within the SDNP, no reason why housing etc cannot be planned effectively. The main SDNP vistas should be protected, but to say "no development within the SDNP is bad policy. It is all down to how one segments it.

The significant impact of the South Downs national park on our available developable land means we should be very specific on the remaining areas that we will be focusing our growth and investment on

what about coordination with areas within the SDNPA

Because the SDNP is part of the EHDC area and as such is treated differently at the present time.

Space in Hampshire not part of a national park means excessive building is going to adversely affect this area.

The majority of East Hants district falls outside the scope for the plan and therefore coherency between the National Park and local plans may become an issue. For example, a vision for all residents that only EHDC can only manifest in some isolated pockets of the district may lead to those residents in, for example , Bordon/Whitehill and the southern parishes accepting over development to accommodate overspill from neighbouring areas.

Not sure how easy it would be, but the fact that a large proportion of the district isn't included in the plan should be part of the vision.

#### Landscape / environment / habitats

The vision could refer to the precious landscapes and habitats in our district that need protecting.

Needs to specify habitats & landscapes that need protecting

The vision talks about green and welcoming places to live, but is destroying mature trees.

With the pressures on green space it would be helpful to know how the vision balances demand against sustainability

There needs to be greater emphasis on the natural environment

Needs a definition of green particularly regarding green spaces for mental health as currently most of these are being built on outside the SDNPA

The vision should be more specific regarding the need to retain areas of green spaces with strict restrictions to building, and to ensure water courses are protected from sewage overflow and pollution

Areas outside of the New Forest are also important. Nature reserves need protections

It should consider where housing is created to be balanced with the environmental needs of our area

It should demonstrate care for the non-National Park landscape and thought about the level of development that is reasonable for different areas.

The potential planning for new homes etc concentrated in the areas suggested does not take into account the hydrology and geology of the areas, let alone the topography.

Some parts of East hants - like the North Hampshire Downs - should be designated an AONB and policies adapted to reflect this

Protection has to be given to the natural habitats of animal and plant species native to the South Downs which seemed to have been ignored when ancient woodland was destroyed to enable the construction of the new PWC reservoir. The local plan should not compromise the existing heritage, openness and undeveloped nature between the different village settlements, agricultural fields, public green spaces or nature reserves.

#### Needs to state the level of growth planned in areas

Need to state how much growth is envisaged

people need re-assurance about what is to happen, and where, Great ANXIETY is caused through non-controlled planning.

The Local Plan should identify areas and settlements identified for growth

We need to know where the housing will go -it is not sustainable to keep putting so much housing in East Hants and the South East in general or you will trash it and urbanise what is still an historic semi rural area

We need to know front and centre what areas are being planned.

It is important for residents to know where the impact of the plans are located and what that impact will be.

We need to understand how our area will be affected

Need to be specific on proposed developments

Where are you planning to build all these new houses? We have too many already

People need to know likely areas for development well ahead it actually taking place so that they can plan ahead regarding any moves they wish to make regarding housing and communities

We need to know how much housing u are wanting

Some areas have already had significant development it would be good to know if these areas have now met the visions purpose or will still be developed further.

The vision sounds great but would like to know target areas for further development

So that we can genuinely see where development is going to take place not a generic answer



Some areas are in danger of being overdeveloped we need to know where to provide clarity on where development is to take place

There are limited settlements where growth can be achieved and therefore it is important that this is more clearly specified within the Plan

Provide an absolute plan as to which areas are in or out of development scope to prevent planning speculation for smaller infill sites

This appears to be preparing any residents who don't live in the South Downs National Park for huge development bolted on to our villages and towns, which have so far received no interest in the quality of our lives, health, green spaces etc. It seems these expectations for our environment come with strings attached - we can start talking about infrastructure, health and green spaces as long as we give up any hope of holding on to the landscape that surrounds us and gives us all the wellbeing we need; as long as we agree to destroy the free, green, beautiful, rural environment we thought we had chosen to live in. So we are answering these questions with no idea about whose area is up for grabs, ready for destruction.

Residents need to know exactly which areas are likely to be impacted by yet more unsustainable housing numbers and also each area will have its own unique character and natural aspects that should be protected for Whitehill and Bordon it will be the SPA / SAC wet dry heathland mosaic, wood pasture and ancient woodland carved out of the Mediaeval Commons and Royal Woolmer Hunting Forest, for Alton it will be the historic built environment for Grayshott it will be its Edwardian Arts and Crafts heritage in terms of design and its surrounding heathland.

### Infrastructure

EH has a very varied area. Some places have been overdeveloped without regard for existing infrastructure.

The growth of traffic to and from the North of Bordon is a major concern yet no highway improvements are evident

As above provision for increased traffic must be catered for.

What is the distance you expect people to travel and how to access any facilities?

I think it is important to be open about the process and to ensure land is secured in a place that would allow the tenants or whatever status to be able to access facilities and that there is a suitable and reasonable adjustment for provision of suitable housing with support for the elderly and individuals with special needs. There also needs to be built with children in mind and access to schools and parks.

Bordon and Whitehill has already undergone a great deal of change in the last few years. A huge amount of housing has gone up with very little change to local amenities to accommodate the increasing population. You talk about sustainability, but I fail to see what is sustainable about building more and more houses putting increased demand on the infrastructure. The much talked about health hub has yet to get off the ground and we now have fewer doctor's surgeries in the town than we did 10 years ago! Not to mention a community hospital that lies unused but which could so easily have developed into the aforementioned health hub. Also the promised town centre has still not been delivered,

surely this should have been a priority to not only encourage more people into the town - rather than just seemingly empty promises - but also for the already established population! With regards to the environment, we all share our planet with wildlife and the destruction of their habitat to build more and more housing is not only detrimental to the wildlife population but also to the wellbeing of the human population! Most people in the down have looked on in dismay as the developers continue to wreak havoc on our natural environment by the felling of thousands upon thousands of trees, and then congratulating themselves when they wax lyrical about the lovely (artificial) green spaces they have created on spaces that were previously green!! If you want sustainability, look to build on more brownfield sites or restore buildings that are already there!

Rapidly increasing population density outstrips infrastructure development. Should there be a recognised upper limit?

At the moment EHDC appears uninterested in the fate of Alton where vast numbers of houses have been built but facilities have declined e.g. medical care, walkin medical facility (available in Petersfield but not Alton) Covid vaccinations (available in Bordon and Petersfield but not Alton) etc etc

More about infrastructure

Planning for schools jobs and Doctors required.

Sustainable and affordable infrastructure and transportation needs to be mentioned specifically.

More detail required on plans and implications for specific areas, with particular reference to improving infrastructure

Insufficient information on where we are starting from. It never ceases to amaze me that we have to keep re-inventing the wheel to move forwards. For example we should have a very clear picture by now of exactly what the issues are locally (wherever that is) about transport, employment, schools, health care etc to be very specific in what the LP needs to address. This should be a constantly evolving plan that is actively managed to ensure that the infrastructure is in place. e.g. if Hampshire County Council is not investing in schools, road networks etc that affect the area that should be a firm stop on any planning proposal. Passing the buck has got to stop.

Some areas are unsuitable for employment as lack of good public transport

There needs to be more focus on future planning. Any new housing development should be matched with adequate provisions for healthcare, roads, schools and other infrastructure. No housing should be approved unless these areas have been addressed.

See VS2a. To meet the environmental needs to reduce carbon can be done in larger more concentrated areas but in the more amorphous rural areas the cost of transport will be too great. Thus private transport will be required which in turn will require infrastructure upgrading which in turn requires investment. Is this coming via EHDC or is it expected to be provided by the residents of these spread out areas?

The current utilities infrastructure in a number of these designated development areas require huge investment just to bring the services up to the level to support the existing population let alone before any further housing developments are planned. The availability and quality of public transport and the supporting road and rail infrastructure has to be

improved. Cars will remain the primary method of transport despite the congestion and condition of the roads while new cycle lanes have to be constructed to make them safe for use by the local community. The current transport providers can't supply an acceptable service level to the existing EHDC communities so this also has to be improved.

Communities / people

Local people would like to know about this.

People are interested in their immediate surroundings.

it's good to know what's going on in my local area!

Plans affecting immediate locality are important to those of us who live nearby

Its important for EHDC to be specific in order for residents to be informed and included in the decision making process

Clarity allows people to make their own mind up with regard to agreeing with the vision or wanting to object

Local people should have a greater say over developers and councillors who do not live in the area

Local residents want to know exactly what is happening in there area, not the whole district.

There can be no blanket policy, parish councils exist, resident need ability to reject development

Local people need to know what's going on in their area most people don't know what's going on until trees are being cut down those that live here would like to be involved and feel as if they are being listened to

People would then be informed what is happening local to them

Plans and graphs mean nothing because many only see with their eyes and it is not until the destructions starts to take place that the plan becomes obvious. Perhaps an easier way of viewing ideas for planning may help.

Local communities must be kept updated on the vision for their area. It is essential that any new development does not impinge, spoil or dilute the value of existing residents

There is a general need to be more specific. People need to know what may be in store without ambiguity.

Think about what contributes to well-being and happiness, these things are fundamental to architecting the region. Getting it right isn't about hitting housing targets or any specific geographical feature, it's about focussing on the human experience of living here and the dimensions of that should form the plan. Dare to be better than the average council meeting its planning obligations. The categories you look to plan will change accordingly.

The general population of the planned areas can be more involved.
A more specific vision will be more relatable to communities, who in turn can provide better feedback.
Being more specific gives more defined targets, allowing residents and voters to hold council to account
Local residents want to know exactly what is happening in there area, not the whole district.

#### Unplanned development / over development / housing development

Some areas are being over developed - needs to be evenly apportioned
A clear approach would be good. Atm small developments are taking place outside the plan
A few areas are being hammered by constant development. Be specific about slowing down development in areas like Four Marks/Medstead that are going under with new houses.
For those suffering major overdevelopment there seems little in the vision to stabilise the communities that have been massively expanded. There seems to be no consideration of developing brand new communities that could create their own identities designed and complement those already in existence
towns need revitalising, villages need protecting.
It should be more specific as certain towns like Alton have already been too heavily developed without proper infrastructure to maintain it. Quite simply , stop building in areas which have already provide enough housing
We need to allow for extensive coutryside spaces outside the national park and not embark on large scale developments
Smaller villages and towns need to be protected from speculative development which adds nothing to the community and puts additional stress onto already stretched infrastructure.
Rural and semi-rural villages are under threat from coalescence and housing targets imposed by central government.
Location of new housing has been haphazard so far. Need to move to a plan which builds where houses are needed.
Quality and affordable homes provided by private house builders and local government
The area is already feeling like it is being developed everywhere. I don't think the mere should be even more plans for development.
Priority has to be given to provide affordable quality homes first for local people and their families who grew up in these EHDC communities over any other further developments.

## Other comments

Ensure that the under 30s and even the school age children have been consulted on this after all these plans being made affect their future going forward.
In view of timescales involved, residents with appropriate views may no longer be around to see them fulfilled
EHDC need to be frank about the difficult choices ahead- lack of land area, infrastructure and de-ruralisation of the county.
I don't understand why supermarkets are being given precedence over housing in Petersfield. We need to protect our green spaces and build on semi-rural/brownfield sites to offer more affordable housing and keep key ecological sites safe from development.
Explain that I'd like you to be more specific?
Rather than a vision I would prefer to see a set of standards both ethical and moral which the council will strive to achieve along with a clear commitment to carbon neutrality and environmental stability.
Either it's specific or it isn't ? Why would it not be?
Feel the vision might be more hopeful than actual for some areas
For too long things have been 'dumped' on the southern part.
To offer further transparency
This whole online consultation is difficult to navigate for many people I'm sure. And I cannot find anything that is specific to my local area.
Yes, because if you're not up front and specific you can hide behind all manner of visions
There are initiatives in the area which don't seem to connect to each other and it is hard to see how unintended consequences are mitigated.
I have noticed recently some very good development and improvement two areas in Borden, White Hill, and Alton seems to be lagging behind and not being treated with the same sort of importance!
Geology variation should be accounted for
The NPPG requires Local Plans to set out a vision and a framework for the future development of the area, addressing needs and opportunities in relation to housing, the economy, community facilities and infrastructure (001 Reference ID: 61-001-20190315). It also states that Local Plans provide an opportunity to set out a positive vision for the area, but the plan should also be realistic about what can be achieved and when. This means paying careful attention to providing an adequate supply of land (Paragraph: 059 Reference ID: 61-059-20190315).
I believe all local areas should be detailed in the local plan

if houses can be built at speed then the other parts of the process should follow at a similar rate
Yes, be explicit about each and every area.
Too great an emphasis on Alton new builds at present. Need to review alternatives
Because of the predominantly rural and commuter town make up of the district, bolting on estates to existing communities does not repond to the needs of the community that is already there, it invites more dormitory living and longer journeys to access employment. If you want to establish communities that function, you need to be more radical and embrace the opportunities government is promoting to form new garden towns and villages that come with a masterplan to provide the infrastructure and employment opportunities alongside new housing.
By taking account of the issues outlines above
It doesn't protect the area or the people who live here
In Alton there are many homes that are empty and up for sale/rent all the time due to the act that there is too much housing for elderly people. this does not enable sustainable communities to thrive. The housing for young people is too expensive so they are forced to move away.
If possible, though this would come out of further development of strategy
The wording 'The vision should be ambitious, but achievable' suggests that the Council is seeking to provide fewer homes in the District on the basis that it may consider the required number of new homes to be 'too ambitious'.
The statement that 'The vision should be ambitious, but achievable' does seem to be a bit of a 'get out clause' whereby the Council can seek to provide fewer new homes to built over the plan period on the basis that it considers the housing target to be unachievable.'
I am not sure how this can be achieved
Specific is better - it ensures accountability through removing ambiguity
It would be helpful to have more detail
It needs to be a plan not a vision ! The vision is of cause wonderful but the action to achieve it may not be the same
Not sure of the context of the question really. However local and wider ranging plans do need to dovetail with each other and cannot be developed in isolation.
Needs to target the lack of accessible homes and general lack of access
This is a deprived area in need of RELIABLE, AFFORDABLE public transport, affordable housing for LOCAL people - not those coming from London with more money and privilege - and many more job opportunities for people of ALL abilities - not everyone wants to pick and pack or deliver fast food.
A decision may need to be made at some stage it has to be discussed

There should be a vision to create vibrant and lively towns whilst retaining the character of our villages
Because the end game of the plan will be producing - or not producing more buildings. This is a management exercise but will be driven, ultimately by politicians who are notoriously poor managers.
The vision should be more specific to prevent creep of settlements into present rural areas.
More permissive rural housing policies should be considered which at the very least should align with the approach adopted in the NPPF in relation to Green Belt
The vision statement should include wording to reflect the importance of meeting the future development needs of the District, in particular housing needs.
The areas of the District being planned for should be set out and justified in the Vision inasmuch as EHDC is not the LPA for the South Downs National Park, that covers a great deal of the District. However, the Vision should not seek to prejudge the definition of the spatial strategy. Nor need it do so. This should be clearly stated within the policies and explanatory memoranda of the plan, where required, and be tied back to the technical evidence supporting the Plan. As we have stated we disagree that there are major new issues that have emerged since the last Reg 18 consultation. Rather, the time lapsed since 2019 and the consequential delay in plan making has just made the need to provide an up to date Local Plan to tackle these already-identified issues even more acute.

**VIS3 Should the vision be more specific about areas of the district being planned for through the Local Plan? (Y/N)**

**VIS3a Please explain your answer**

Explanations from those who answered 'No'

Treat equally / for all

Applicable across all societies.
Everyone place and person should be equally treated ie. don't be divisive e.g. SDNP vs the REST
This is a VISION for all, therefore I don't really think specific areas should be highlighted particularly.
My feeling is that a VISION is for all, therefore I don't really think specific areas should be highlighted particularly.
These general principles should apply equally to all.
A vision should apply to all areas equally.

Most of the policies in the Plan, especially those relating to the environment and climate change, should apply equally to all areas.

Should cover whole district / area

A vision should cover the whole district

The Vision needs to provide an overarching, aspirational approach to the development of District as a whole.

The overarching 2040 Vision should apply to the local plan area as a whole. Routes to achievement within a particular part of the local plan area could be set out in a specific Objective or Policy where clearly justified by different circumstances, but in my view the whole local plan area is sufficiently similar to make this unnecessary.

Should reference local plan area as a whole

The vision should be broad enough to cover the whole area since the problems are widespread

The vision should reflect the shared goals and ambitions across the entire authority area. Area-specific policy and considerations will be addressed in the more detailed strategic and development management policies

The vision should be a high level statement of broad objectives for the District and should not engage in setting up "Aunt Sallys" by suggesting that some areas are more suitable than other is some sort of beauty pageant. In any case, the plan period is so long of it quite impossible to predict which areas may be suitable or desirable so far ahead in time.

It's a vision for the area as a whole and should be relevant to all areas. Any specifics can be addressed in other aspects

Needs a consistent approach to planning across area so variations due to locality would compromise the ideals identified

South Downs National Park

The local plan cannot be done without close integration with SDNP. I feel the two organisations are working independently of each. In Liphook we have both. Other

The Local Plan needs to ensure improved infrastructure is the top priority and better cooperation from the SDNPA is achieved.

This comes later in the document / too early for this

This comes later

Issues dealt with later on in document

No, this level of detail would come later in the document.



It is far too early to prepare detailed plans as to the specific aspects of such a Local Plan. Obtain the consensus to the broad proposals first.

The geographical scope of the Plan is made clear elsewhere.

The areas of the district being planned for should be set out and justified in the spatial planning/policy chapter of the Local Plan supported by robust technical studies.

Detail not needed / should be general

It is a vision. No great detail needed.

Think it's fine, but very high-level.

Best not to be too specific

best keep vision general  
Specific enough

A vision doesn't need to be specific.

No, a vision needs to be at a high-level such as you have drafted.

The vision should be high level and should not detail the specific areas planned for growth through the Local Plan. The development strategy should be set out in separate, specific policies which detail the overall strategy.

The Vision is broad and considered achievable across the District as a whole. Geographical and/or area-based aims, objective, policies and priorities can be derived from a broad Vision.

Other comments

I clicked on "No" then realised how difficult to answer. I can't remove "No" without answering "Yes".

I don't really understand this question - what is meant by areas? Locations? planning considerations? In general the vision is too wishy-washy and should more explicitly identify EHDC's priorities.

enough bureaucracy thank you

Looks about right

I assume it applies to any communities in East Hampshire - if any are excluded then maybe that needs to be mentioned

The Local Plan should describe the area covered separately.

Needs more feedback and general details to be more than a vision

A vision is usually a load of waffle and in this case it is. It should be replaced with a series of ethical standards
The vision doesn't need to be area specific, it needs to consider what the local plan can achieve.
we've got enough problems
I don't want to encourage the view that it is OK to trash some areas in order to protect others
Taking too long to build the infrastructure and not just housing
A vision holds no authority, if it can be overridden.
There is a map showing the areas affected.
Only if the above issue is addressed and Central Government allows LAs to decide their own housing targets.
It would become too complicated
No - it needs to be an holistic approach. For example - ALL developments should mandate Solar Panels be put on roofs irrespective of location
More data released to show that in our district over half the houses have two or more spare bedrooms and three quarters have more bedrooms than occupants. Only a tiny number (less than 2 % , the lowest in the country have more people than bedrooms.
clearly the borders or somewhat superficial and some forms of consistency of approach should be followed across all boundaries.
It needs to be a SMART vision
A one size fits all approach to details never works where you have areas with differing requirements. Better to do this at a local level through neighbourhood plans, design codes and village statements.
You need an e=overall structure, but you should welcome locally generated plans which take into account local conditions
The local plan is simply a 'tool' by which parts of the vision will be delivered - it is not (and should not) be considered the only mechanism for delivery. Neither should EHDC consider they are the only one's working to that vision - where are the education providers? what about the local businesses, from major to micro businesses? how does this vision sit with the Hampshire 2050 vision? how does it sit with Police, Fire and ICS? We are but part of a broader system - and we need to look at the whole system to see how it will deliver!
the document would become too cumbersome and could result in challenges based on interpretation by parties with differing agendas.
The overarching 2040 Vision should apply to the local plan area as a whole. Routes to achievement within a particular part of the local plan area could be set out in a specific

Objective or Policy where clearly justified by different circumstances, but in our view the whole local plan area is sufficiently similar to make this unnecessary.

**VIS3 Should the vision be more specific about areas of the district being planned for through the Local Plan? (Y/N)**

**VIS3a Please explain your answer**

Explanations from those that did not select an answer but provided a comment.

I do not understand this statement, it is wordy and muddled and therefore unable to respond.

I am not sure what this means as it is badly worded and can only respond once there is clarity.