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Response Form

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Mid Devon District Council is consulting on proposed new planning policies for:

Meeting Housing Needs (Supplementary Planning Document)

Website link: www.middevon.gov.uk/spd

Green Infrastructure Plan (including Strategy to 2026 and Delivery Plan as Supplementary Planning Document)

Website link: www.middevon.gov.uk/gip

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Comments

Are you
commenting
on

Planning Document
Meeting Housing
Needs Supplementary

Green Infrastructure Plan

(please tick or check the
appropriate box)

Planning Consultation Response Form

Comments in relation to the Green Infrastructure Plan (GI)

I would support and agree in principal with the Benefits of the Green Infrastructure Plan . The changes in climate and the needs, health and wellbeing of the population should be considered before major changes to the local environment take place.

There are several points not explained fully in the GIP as follows:

1. What is the definition of a Wildlife Corridor? This needs to be more clearly defined within the report.
2. Preservation orders should be placed on ancient hedgerows and Devon banks. Unless properly protected these important features will be lost forever.
3. The GI is the one opportunity to reduce fragmentation and this should be included as an objective.
4. All Grade 1 and Grade 2 land should be preserved as farming land. Food must be produced locally to reduce food miles and the impacts of air pollution.
5. Within the GI it is unclear how much surrounding land the Tidcombe Fen SSSI is required for its maintenance and the protection of the "16 species only found in Devon"