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## Response Form

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)

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Please indicate which sections, policies or paragraph numbers your comments refer to

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## Morchard Bishop Parish Council

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# Morchard Bishop Green Infrastructure Plan

At the Parish Council Meeting on 5 December 2011 the Parish Council studied the documents and reached the following conclusions:

### Corrections:

- Morchard Bishop does have privately owned allotments
- The small scale map was confusing, even in strong light with a magnifying glass, but the footpath system appeared fragmented, when in fact it fits well with UCCRs and unclassified roads.

### **Current Requirements:**

Morchard Bishop is a large parish, mainly farmland, with an extensive network of footpaths, green lanes and unclassified roads. It has the basic facilities of a church, a chapel, a pub, a shop, a garage (no fuel sales), a playing field, a Sports and Social Club and a limited bus service. The Parish Council felt that the greatest lack was in amenities for young people, and therefore produced a prioritised list of requirements:

- 1. Replace the worn out children's equipment at the Playing Field. Estimated cost £30K.
- 2. Seed funding for a youth club / youth activities. As yet undefined, this would have to be organised by a reputable organisation. Estimated cost £10K.
- 3. Lights for the tennis / netball courts, which can also double as a 5-a-side football pitch. Estimated cost £5K.
- 4. A parish cycle track using green lanes, bridleways and unclassified roads. Uncosted.
- 5. A survey to define green areas and corridors for protection within and without the settlement line. Uncosted.

#### **Future Requirements:**

A number of village amenities are in private hands. Should any come on to the market, the Parish Council ought to consider purchasing. For example, the allotments, Morchard Woods, car parking space for the Memorial Hall, the School Playing Field, etc.

The proposed parish (see 3 above) could be joined with adjoining projects in neighbouring parishes to create a Mid-Devon long distance cycle trail.