

<b>Responses Received by PCC Planning Department during Public Consultation on the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan</b>			
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<b>1</b>	Individual	<p>The old quarry at West Hoe is famous and access must be retained or enhanced. There are two main reasons:</p> <p>1.The Middle Devonian limestones in that old quarry are part of the definition for the Devonian System - a unit of Geological Time made famous by Sedgwick &amp; Murchison's definition of the Devonian. Every geoscientist in the world uses the Devonian System and it is obviously named after 'Devon'.</p> <p>2.A group of geoscientists - including William Pengelly - met in the area in 1861 and decided that, from 1862, they would create the Devonshire Association; an organisation that over 150 years' later is still going strong, embracing the whole of the County. The Plymouth Branch of the DA meets monthly for talks and lectures on the county and its history, art, science and literature.</p> <p>Malcolm Hart DSc FGS CGeol CSci  Emeritus Professor of Micropalaeontology  School of Geography, Earth &amp; Environmental Sciences  University of Plymouth  www.plymouth.ac.uk</p>	Email
<b>2</b>	Individual	<p>I am writing in support of the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan and hope this is something that PCC and our local councillors believe they should support</p> <p>A huge amount of work has clearly gone into it and it provides the kind of blueprint needed to preserve the integrity and heritage of our wonderful Hoe area which is such an asset to the city</p>	Email
<b>3</b>	Individual	<p>I live at West Hoe and have been following this Hoe Neighbourhood plan from its inception. I took part in their local consultation and fully approve of the final plan. It has taken a team thousands of hours of work, so I do hope it reaches the final stage.</p>	Email

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4	Individual	<p>I would like to submit to the Neighbourhood Plan as part of your consultation process that the PERMANENT installation of excessively bright or flashing advertising signs should NOT be permitted on commercial (or otherwise) premises or amenities, visible to residential properties within the areas covered by the Plan.</p> <p>This measure would align with the aim of the Plan to avoid 'Light Pollution' in addition to avoiding health risk to residents of Visual Migraines which can be triggered by bright moving images in addition to epileptic seizures &amp; anxiety for some.</p> <p>Such signs are not in accordance with the aim of the Plan to preserve the very special character of The Hoe either, architecturally or in terms of ambience.</p>	Email
5	Individual	<p>I would like to commend the excellent piece of work that has been submitted and it has my full support.</p> <p>I would like to be notified of the outcome please.</p>	Email
6	Individual	<p>I wish to support the Plan.</p> <p>It is a thorough and carefully considered Plan, and I believe it will be a positive for the Hoe area.</p>	Email

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7	Sport England	<p>Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>Government planning policy, within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), identifies how the planning system can play an important role in facilitating social interaction and creating healthy, inclusive communities. Encouraging communities to become more physically active through walking, cycling, informal recreation and formal sport plays an important part in this process. Providing enough sports facilities of the right quality and type in the right places is vital to achieving this aim. This means that positive planning for sport, protection from the unnecessary loss of sports facilities, along with an integrated approach to providing new housing and employment land with community facilities is important.</p> <p>Therefore, it is essential that the neighbourhood plan reflects and complies with national planning policy for sport as set out in the NPPF with particular reference to Pars 103 and 104. It is also important to be aware of Sport England’s statutory consultee role in protecting playing fields and the presumption against the loss of playing field land. Sport England’s playing fields policy is set out in our Playing Fields Policy and Guidance document.  <a href="https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/facilities-and-planning/planning-for-sport#playing_fields_policy">https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/facilities-and-planning/planning-for-sport#playing_fields_policy</a></p> <p>Sport England provides guidance on developing planning policy for sport and further information can be found via the link below. Vital to the development and implementation of planning policy is the evidence base on which it is founded.  <a href="https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/facilities-and-planning/planning-for-sport#planning_applications">https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/facilities-and-planning/planning-for-sport#planning_applications</a></p> <p>Sport England works with local authorities to ensure their Local Plan is underpinned by robust and up to date evidence. In line with Par 104 of the NPPF, this takes the form of assessments of need and strategies for indoor and outdoor sports facilities. A neighbourhood planning body should look to see if the relevant local authority has prepared a playing pitch strategy or other indoor/outdoor sports facility strategy. If it has then this could provide useful evidence for the neighbourhood plan and save the neighbourhood planning body time and resources gathering their own evidence. It is important that a neighbourhood plan reflects the recommendations and actions set out in any such strategies, including those which may specifically relate to the neighbourhood area, and that any local investment opportunities, such as the Community Infrastructure Levy, are utilised to support their delivery.</p>	Email

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	Sport England (continued)	<p>Where such evidence does not already exist then relevant planning policies in a neighbourhood plan should be based on a proportionate assessment of the need for sporting provision in its area. Developed in consultation with the local sporting and wider community any assessment should be used to provide key recommendations and deliverable actions. These should set out what provision is required to ensure the current and future needs of the community for sport can be met and, in turn, be able to support the development and implementation of planning policies. Sport England’s guidance on assessing needs may help with such work.  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/planningtoolsandguidance">http://www.sportengland.org/planningtoolsandguidance</a></p> <p>If new or improved sports facilities are proposed Sport England recommend you ensure they are fit for purpose and designed in accordance with our design guidance notes.  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/">http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/</a></p> <p>Any new housing developments will generate additional demand for sport. If existing sports facilities do not have the capacity to absorb the additional demand, then planning policies should look to ensure that new sports facilities, or improvements to existing sports facilities, are secured and delivered. Proposed actions to meet the demand should accord with any approved local plan or neighbourhood plan policy for social infrastructure, along with priorities resulting from any assessment of need, or set out in any playing pitch or other indoor and/or outdoor sports facility strategy that the local authority has in place.</p> <p>In line with the Government’s NPPF (including Section 8) and its Planning Practice Guidance (Health and wellbeing section), links below, consideration should also be given to how any new development, especially for new housing, will provide opportunities for people to lead healthy lifestyles and create healthy communities. Sport England’s Active Design guidance can be used to help with this when developing planning policies and developing or assessing individual proposals.</p>	
	Sport England (continued)	Active Design, which includes a model planning policy, provides ten principles to help ensure the design and layout of development encourages and promotes participation in sport and physical activity. The guidance, and its accompanying checklist, could also be used at the evidence gathering stage of developing a neighbourhood plan to help undertake an assessment of how the design and layout of the area currently enables people to lead active lifestyles and what could be improved.	

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8	Individual	<p>As a resident of the Hoe for the last six years, I am both concerned about and involved in my local community. I care about how my neighbourhood will develop and change in the coming years, and I think it is important that local people have a say in guiding those changes. I fully support the goals and policies set out in the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>I learned about the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum during my first year in Plymouth and contributed my views when they asked, but I didn't become involved in the Forum committee until there was a call for volunteers to help finalise the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. In my previous home in South Gloucestershire, I was involved from the beginning in the Neighbourhood Plan process for my parish, so I had a bit of NP experience to bring to the table, as well as skills in documentation, website development, and data analysis. In the interest of full disclosure, I helped the Forum committee prepare the draft plan for its Regulation 15 public consultation and set up the website we used to gather the comments we received on the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>I have nothing but admiration for the dedicated local volunteers who worked hard over so many years to gather people's opinions and put this plan together. It meant I had no reservations about working on this plan myself. To do my part, I had to delve into the details of how the plan was created, as well as the policies and supporting information. I learned a lot about my neighbourhood and its assets – natural, commercial, historic, cultural, and architectural – and it made me realise how important it was to protect this special part of Plymouth.</p> <p>I am well aware of the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan's goals and policies and support them wholeheartedly. I look forward to this plan being "made" and working toward the goals it sets out.</p> <p>Please keep me informed about the outcome of this consultation.</p>	Email
9	Individual	<p>I support the adoption of the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. It is sympathetic to both the Heritage and Environment of the locality. It respects the needs of residents and those who use the Hoe for leisure, business or sport. The City of Plymouth is lucky to have this beautiful asset. It should be protected and the Plan, together with the JLP, sets out to preserve the characteristics we value.</p>	Email
10	NHS Devon NHS Integrated Care Board	<p>Please find attached the consultee response from NHS Devon NHS Integrated Care Board</p>	<p><a href="#">Email with attachment: 20260402 Hop NP ICB Response v5.pdf</a></p>

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11	PCC	<p>OFFICIAL</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan (HNP) as part of the Regulation 16, Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>The attached response is on behalf of the City Council as the Local Planning Authority (LPA).</p> <p>Paul Webber MA MRTPI            Planning Officer            Strategic Planning and Infrastructure            Plymouth City Council</p>	<p>Email with attachment:  <a href="https://www.hoeforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/260409pcc-consultation-response-reg-16-hnp-final.pdf">https://www.hoeforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/260409pcc-consultation-response-reg-16-hnp-final.pdf</a></p>
12	Natural England	<p>Please find Natural England's response in relation to the above-mentioned consultation attached.</p> <p>Kind regards,            Sally Wintle            Officer            Natural England            County Hall            Spetchley Road            Worcester            WR5 2NP  <a href="http://www.gov.uk/natural-england">www.gov.uk/natural-england</a></p>	<p>Email with attachment:  <a href="https://www.hoeforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/natural-england-response.pdf">https://www.hoeforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/natural-england-response.pdf</a></p>
13	Individual	<p>I am writing in support of the hoe neighbourhood plan. I know many of the people who have been involved in producing this and know how much work and effort they have put in. The result is a balanced plan which reflects the views and issues held myself and local people. It provides a blueprint for maintaining the integrity and heritage of this unique and special area for those living there now and for future generations too</p>	Email
14	Individual	<p>I would just like to add my support for the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. This appears as a well reasoned and balanced plan that provides an excellent framework for the future of this important area in Plymouth.</p>	Email

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15	Individual	Following the years of work, of assessments, consultations, studies, analysis, writings and revisions, I'm very happy to see the plan brought to this stage ready for a referendum. What a lot of work has gone into this by so many residents. I hope it will be well supported.	Email
16	Individual	We are writing, as residents of the Hoe area, to express our full support for the proposed Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. We hope the plan will be adopted as it will be a significant benefit to the neighbourhood.	Email
17	Individual	The Proposed Hoe Neighbourhood Plan As a Hoe resident for the last 30 years I wish to support the amazing works of the Hoe Forum and the proposed Conservation and Neighbourhood Plans. The plan by the group is visionary and detailed that will benefit this beautiful part of Plymouth.	Email
18	Individual	I write to commend the extraordinary Hoe Neighbourhood Plan to you. As a resident in PL1 I am indebted to those who have had the patience and time to put this 'Plan' together. Quite why the process has been so torturous in its design and pedantic, to say the least, in its execution does, however, make me very cross. If there is a real desire in local and national government to genuinely seek the views and wishes of the people then a MUCH simpler and 'Plain English' process needs to be designed. Well done to those who had the tenacity, time and enthusiasm to grapple with the task! I trust that their work will be taken seriously and bear fruit in securing a stable, attractive, safe and beautiful area of Plymouth for many years to come.	Email
19	Individual	Have scanned the 152 page document. I don't agree on the proposed historic designations and business restrictions being foisted onto the local residents without their consent	Email
20	Individual	I fully support the HNP and commend the diligent work of my neighbours in preparing it.	Email

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21	Individual	<p>I would like to submit my support for the proposed plan. As a resident of the Hoe area for over 4 years and Plymouth resident for over 35 years, I have grown up in the city, brought my family up in the city and Plymouth Hoe is a vital landmark and common thread throughout our lives here. We have such a wonderful and unique coast, Plymouth Hoe deserves dedicated representation outside of wider policy and influence that can be politically impacted.</p> <p>The tireless efforts and work carried out to get to this stage of the neighborhood plan is a huge achievement. Many of the residents choose to live in this area because of its history and location so there is a vested interest in keeping it to its fullest potential.</p> <p>I trust the decision made on this proposal considers what is best for this wonderful destination heart and soul of the city.</p>	Email
22	Individual	<p>FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE RELEVANT PLANNING OFFICER.</p> <p>I have read the proposed Neighbourhood Plan for The Hoe as presented by The Hoe Neighbourhood Forum. Residents within the Hoe area have been kept fully up to date with the Plan's development and full consultation has taken place. I wish to register my support for the contents of The Plan as I believe it to be strategic, logical and exhaustive and shall vote for its implementation in the forthcoming referendum.</p>	Email
23	Individual	I support the Neighbourhood Plan proposal as submitted by the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum.	Email
24	Individual	<p>Dear Sirs</p> <p>I support the Neighbourhood Plan proposal as submitted by the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum.</p>	Email
25	Individual	I don't have any comments on the HNF, but wish to show my full support of it.	Email

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26	Historic England	<p>Thank you for your consultation on the Regulation 16 version of The Hoe Neighbourhood Plan, further to previous consultations over the SEA Screening Opinion (September 2023), when we did not object to the view that a SEA was not required, and again over the Regulation 14 consultation (December 2024).</p> <p>As previously stated, our role as a national statutory consultee for Neighbourhood Planning focuses mainly on ensuring there is no risk of undue harm to heritage assets. The most common way that risk of harm emerges in Neighbourhood Plans is when new, site-specific allocations for development are being made. Where a neighbourhood plan recommends a site to be allocated for development, there is a risk that heritage assets may be harmed as a result of that development. Experience has shown that these in particular have great potential to generate significant environmental effects and impact on the significance of heritage assets.</p> <p>We note that the draft Neighbourhood Plan continues to recognise two specific site allocations for housing-led, mixed-use development. As previously noted, these allocations have already been made within the Joint Local Plan itself; therefore, such allocations have already been rigorously considered with respect to their impact on heritage assets.</p> <p>We are pleased to see the retention of the chapter on Heritage with clear policies H1-8, which aim to protect and enhance the special historic character of the Plan area and the strong evidence base upon which these are predicated. We welcome the good use of illustrations including Figure 15, which shows local non-designated assets and nationally designated assets. It is also good to see proactive and positive proposals in the Heritage and Design Community Aspirations section.</p> <p>Otherwise, we have no other comments to make but would like to congratulate the community on its progress and wish you all well in the making of its Plan.</p> <p>Jerome Tait MA FSA  Historic Places Adviser for Devon, Cornwall &amp; the Isles of Scilly  Historic England   1st Floor - Fermentation North  Finzels Reach   Hawkins Lane   Bristol   BS1 6JQ</p>	Email

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27	Individual	<p>Representation on The Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>This is an excellent document;  It fits ideally with current, existing plans;  There was a full consultation process with local businesses and residents taking onboard all views;  We were included in the development process of the plan;  This plan has a positive view on how local people want the Hoe cared for over the long term;  A lot of work and thought has gone into this visionary plan for the Hoe to sympathetically retain its current importance while also helping it develop as a place to live, work and visit;  At a time when larger, more remote strategic authorities are forming, this is a hyper-local vision for the Hoe which empowers us all to have a louder voice and a greater say over our own neighbourhood.  We fully support this plan and its aspirations for the present and the future of our neighbourhood.</p>	Email

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28	Individual	<p>I am writing in support of the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>I have a unique viewpoint as the founder and Chair of the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum, which has written the draft plan.</p> <p>I decided to set up the forum in 2017 after advice from a PCC Strategic Planning officer, who advised me that this would be a route to empowering the local community to have a greater voice in planning matters for the neighbourhood.</p> <p>I was lucky enough to have a committed and altruistic group who got behind this and sought to consult with our neighbours to develop a shared vision from the bottom up for the long-term care and development of our neighbourhood. We didn't look at the Local Plan and cherry pick what we wanted, we started with a blank sheet of paper. The plan now on the table represents many years of hard work and constant testing and honing through discussion and consultation with our neighbours and other stakeholders.</p> <p>It has not been without difficulties. I would like to highlight that writing a plan for an urban neighbourhood has had its challenges compared to a parish, especially when the local planning authority strongly prefers policy to be made solely on a citywide basis. Despite this, we have taken a pragmatic approach. We spent the best part of a year going through every word of feedback we received during the Reg 14 consultation to ensure we took on board all comments and reworked our plan accordingly. If we didn't agree with the feedback, we went to great lengths to ensure we were able to robustly justify and evidence our position.</p> <p>We are all very proud of what we have achieved by bringing this plan forward. I would like to thank and commend members of the working group for their dedication, hard work and good-humoured collaboration to enable us to produce the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. I would also like to thank our ward councillors for their unwavering support. Final thanks must go to our Locality advisor, whose wisdom, experience and kindness kept us on track through thick and thin.</p>	Email
29	Individual	<p>Having studied the very extensive and well thought out Hoe Neighbourhood Plan, I fully support all of the objectives it lays out. The Hoe is a very special area and I seriously believe it needs protection to maintain its integrity. The Plan, in my opinion, does this. Therefore I am in full support of the Plan.</p>	Email

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30	Individual	<p>I am writing with reference to the consultation of the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan, as presented by the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum.</p> <p>I applaud the work done by the Forum both on the plan, and in their stewardship and desire to protect the Hoe.</p> <p>The table: Figure 9: Hoe Neighbourhood Plan vision, objectives and policies gets my full support, and I urge Plymouth City Council's elected representatives and officers to do all they can to give their support, leadership and guidance to protect The Hoe now and for future generations.</p>	Email
31	Individual	<p>I am writing to make comment on Hoe Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>I am a resident in the area and a member of the Hoe Neighbourhood Forum.</p> <p>Alot of work has gone into processing the required documents for the Plan to be submitted, along the way great tolerance has been shown by the personnel who have put this plan together.</p> <p>I FULLY AGREE with what has been developed in the plan.</p> <p>I was pleased to see the great involvement the public had through consultation all the way through its production.</p> <p>I hope the bodies involved in allowing its adoption will see sence and pass it through.</p> <p>Please could you send a reply to show you have received this email.</p>	Email
32	Individual	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>Please accept this email as confirmation of my support for the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan. The development of this plan has involved the engagement of our community, and I believe it provides those of us in this community to be engaged with and proud of the Hoer Neighbourhood, ensuring decisions and plans have the local community at their heart.</p>	Email
33	Individual	<p>I would like to register my full support for the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>I think this is an excellent piece of work which will help to cement future policy.</p>	Email

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34	Individual	<p>As a resident of the Hoe I would like to register some thoughts on the Hoe Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>I have been very impressed by the effective and diligent way in which the small team of people involved in steering this project through have dealt with the many issues that have arisen.</p> <p>Plymouth Hoe, whilst being a splendid and unique area of harbour and shoreline, manages to combine within its area many different types of resident, residence, business, amenity and landscape. It is a credit to the compilers that they have managed to engage with many of these different types of people and envision what must be preserved and conserved, but also how inevitable change can be managed.</p> <p>It is this aspect that is so important and so important to the residents of the Hoe, and of Plymouth and our many visitors. Plymouth is at a potential turning point; there is new investment coming into the city and hopes for more jobs and more homes, including in the City Centre adjacent to the Hoe. The impending Local Government Reorganisation will probably expand the size of Plymouth increasing the pressure on its open spaces and amenities. It is therefore vital that we have a set of well-thought-through principles and guidelines that can underpin the inevitable demand for development in the attractive area of The Hoe.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment</p>	Email
35	Individual	<p>I totally support the plan for the Hoe neighbourhood.</p> <p>The Hoe neighbourhood forum should be listened to.</p>	Email
36	Individual	<p>I support this Plan and it is remarkable to read the incredible detail setout. It has been well researched and prepared by people experiencing day to day life on the Hoe. The result is a series of policies which should stand the test of time, although I have some sympathy for anyone considering development. They will need to comprehend the full scope of the plan and that is a major task. Many thanks to all the volunteers and their invaluable input.</p>	Email

