

New Local Plan for East Devon ...

One of the major elements in a new Local Plan is the allocation and location of housing development. This is currently being considered by the EDDC Strategic Planning Committee.

Progress is already being made. Assessment of potential suitability for housing development is being presented to committee in August and September 2022. This will be followed by a proposal to undertake public consultation on a Draft Plan at the meeting on 4th October 2022, with consultation likely to run for an eight-week period between October and December 2022.

This 'Draft Plan' is not intended to be the 'Final Plan' to be examined by the Planning Inspector. That is expected to come forward in Autumn 2023.

Assessment of Potential housing development sites ...

Key elements of the selection process are;

Compatibility with the strategic approach to development in the plan. Towns and Villages have been allocated to Tiers 1 to 4, ranking to towns and villages best supported by services and facilities. Sites well located to these settlements (ie abutting or very close) are being assessed.

The strategic approach also provides for development close to Exeter, at a potential new town to the Northwest of the district. Sites not supported at this stage will not be considered further or proposed as land allocations.

Accessibility to services and facilities in Tier 1 to 4 settlements should be within walking distance, with the maximum distance of around 1 mile as a working criterion. The ability to access services and facilities on foot is considered an important consideration in site assessment.

The potential impact of development on the landscape is key in consideration of any sites which pass the 'first sift'. Much of East Devon is within either the East Devon or Blackdown Hills Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, which enjoy the highest level of protection alongside National Parks.

The six main towns of East Devon (excluding Cranbrook) came to committee in August. Axminster, Exmouth, Honiton, Ottery St Mary, Seaton and Sidmouth are in Tiers 1 and 2.

Where can I find detailed information?

(Full Papers for sites under consideration in Tier 1 & 2 settlements are in agenda papers at : <https://democracy.eastdevon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=154&MIId=1938&Ver=4>)

Smaller towns and villages in Tiers 3 and 4 are expected to come to Strategic Planning Committee on **6th September**, with sites in these settlements coming to this meeting for consideration.

(Full papers for the 6th September Meeting have not been published at time of writing, but will be available approximately ten days before the meeting here ;

<https://democracy.eastdevon.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeed=154>)

However, all site details and results of preliminary assessment can be accessed through the Agenda papers for the 3rd May 2022 meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee.

<https://democracy.eastdevon.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=9798#mgDocuments>

Access the pdf file under the link to **Appendix F(ii) Parish List of Site Assessment Profiles from 2021 & 2017 (non-strategic) item 112**. Within that document, select detail for a specific Parish through the link provided.

Axmouth has six sites presented under the East Devon 2022 Housing Assessment profiles, from the 2021 'Call for Sites' (with potential capacity of 38 homes). **Uplyme** has two from the 2017 Call (capacity 92). **Combpyne-Rousdon** has none. (Source - 3rd May Agenda Papers).

I appreciate that this is extremely complicated, but it is also very important. If instructions above are followed carefully, all information relating to Parishes in our Ward is accessible...

AVMT replacement service for Stagecoach 9A announced ...

Seaton - Lyme Regis Via Axmouth & Rousdon						378	
Summer Easter - End of October						Winter End of Oct - Easter	
Monday to Saturday except bank holidays						Monday to Friday	
	SD					SD	
Seaton Seafront Gardens	1000	1200	1400	1500	1700	1200	1500
Axmouth opposite Ship Inn	1005	1205	1405	1505	1705	1205	1505
Rousdon Garage	1015	1215	1415	1515	1715	1215	1515
Lyme Regis Co-op	1025	1225	1425	1525	1725	1225	1525

SD = Runs on Schooldays only

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Lyme Regis Square		0925	1125	1325	1525	1740	
Lyme Regis Woodroffe Sch.	0835						0835
Rousdon Garage	0847	0935	1135	1335	1535	1750	0847 0935 1245
Axmouth Ship Inn	0855	0943	1143	1343	1543	1758	0855 0943 1253
Seaton Marine Place	0900	0948	1148	1348	1548	1803	0900 0948 1258

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SSH = Runs on Saturdays throughout, in addition to this it also runs on weekdays during Woodroffe School Holidays

Green Highlight = Service No. 897

My report last month included cancellation of the Stagecoach Service 9A, which travelled the coast road from Lyme Regis to Seaton, via Ware, Rousdon and Axmouth,

The service timetable for a replacement service operated by AVMT has now been published.

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