East Devon Local Plan

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The Hierarchy of Planning Policy



National policy

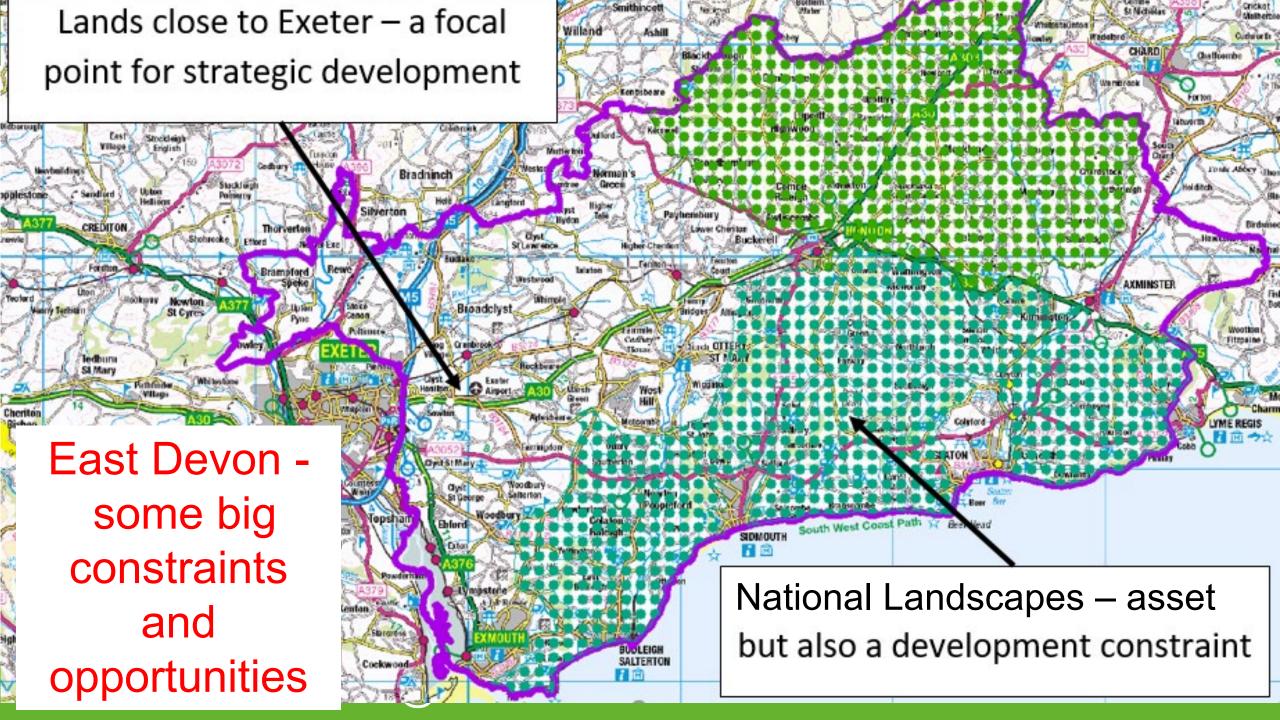
National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)
National Policy Statements
Specialist policy such as Gypsy and Traveller guidance
Planning Practice Guidance

Local policy

Development / local plan

Neighbourhood policies

Neighbourhood plans



Aspects of draft plan advise

- Focus new development on the western side of the district, including a new town and other major strategic developments.
- Promote significant development at the Principal Centre of Exmouth and the Main Centres of Axminster, Honiton, Ottery St Mary, Seaton, and Sidmouth.
- Support development at the Local Centres of Broadclyst, Budleigh Salterton, Colyton, Lympstone, and Woodbury.
- Allow limited development to meet local needs at the Service Villages (25 better served villages).
- Elsewhere countryside more restricted policy approach.

Consultation, engagement and evidence work



- Call for development sites past multiple dates
- Issues and options 2021
- Wider engagement (e.g. these seminars) ongoing
- Evidence gathering ongoing

Upcoming consultation

May to June 2024 – selected further draft local plan matters

May to June 2024 Further Consultation



Subject matter specific (not fully previously addressed):

- New Housing and Mixed Use Site Allocations
- New Employment Site Allocations
- Designated Neighbourhood Area Housing Requirements
- Clyst Valley Regional Park
- Town Centre Retail Areas
- Coastal Preservation Area
- Green Wedges
- Sustainability Appraisal

Forward looking timetable

East Devon

- Committee to consider redrafted plan chapters and development sites – ongoing until Autumn 2024
- Current and past consultation to inform thinking
- Master planning of second new community
- 'Final' Publication Plan (Reg 19) to committee November 2024
- Publication Plan consultation Dec 2024-Jan 2025
- Submission of Plan for Examination May 2025
- Examination through 2025 into 2026
- Adoption before the end of 2026

It meets Government published deadlines - but a timetable with significant challenges