

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is a way for communities to get a vision for the future of their parish, town or village embedded in the Local Authority's planning framework in the form of planning policies. Future developments requiring planning permission must abide by those policies.

What's this Neighbourhood Plan about?

The Neighbourhood Plan covers the entire parish.... the "urban mass" of Penzance and the parish's distinct communities including Eastern Green, Gulval, Heamoor, Newlyn, Mousehole and Paul. It addresses a wide range of things including economic development, housing, town centre regeneration, public realm (roads, pavements, parks, open spaces) and the natural environment.

What's happened so far?

The plan was first launched in 2015 with a wide-scale consultation on **Economic Regeneration**, followed in early 2016 by a mail drop to all households in the parish, including a **Housing and Place** survey and an EXPO in March 2017 outlining investment initiatives across the parish.

What was the community response?

A very strong message "Something needs to be done"

- "Joined up" investment supporting economic regeneration and employment.
- Improving and re-shaping Penzance town centre.
- Investing in our shoreline assets so that they are better used and better able to contribute to the economy.
- Improving public realm and reducing traffic domination in our communities.
- Housing which is affordable and supports the needs of local people.
- Balancing economic development with the need to respect and protect our outstanding natural and built environment.
- Respecting the distinct identities of our communities.

What's in our Neighbourhood Plan?

The plan has 4 main headings: Economy; Housing; Built Environment and Natural Environment. There's a lot of cross over between these so it's best summarised by looking at the overall **Vision and Key Objectives**

Reconnecting with the Sea: making the most of our unique coastal location as a catalyst for much needed economic regeneration as well as an environmental and recreational asset. Key Objectives

- Recreating and improving links with the waterfront and capitalising on it as a place for economic activity as well as leisure and enjoyment.
- Repairing and developing Penzance's fractured townscape to link the gateway around the station, the town centre, the harbour, and the promenade.
- Investing in Penzance and Newlyn harbours to strengthen their status as economic hubs for the marine, fishing, transport and leisure industries.
- Mounts Bay Maritime Park, a continuous accessible pedestrian and cycle link from Marazion to Mousehole, linking inland at key nodes along its length.

Housing which meets the needs of the local community as well as supporting economic growth. Key Objectives

- Local people can get truly affordable housing to rent or to buy within their communities.
- Redundant buildings and sites are repurposed for use as town centre housing.
- Small developments on the edge of communities providing 100% affordable housing for that community.
- New developments will relate well to the natural environment and existing built environment and bring sufficient community and green infrastructure.
- Developers of major projects will work with the community to create a Community Management Plan, an additional level of community consultation.
- New homes in Mousehole, Paul and part of Newlyn will not be available for occupation as 2nd homes.

Penzance will be a place where people have the opportunity and want to live, work, visit and invest. Key Objectives

- Significant public realm improvements.
- Brownfield development to create town centre housing and work spaces.
- Shoreline protection to make the town investable.
- Significant and sensitive development along the waterfront between South Quay and the Station.

People will be able to get around easily and safely on foot, by bicycle and using mobility aids. Key Objectives

- Town and village/community centres will prioritise pedestrians, cyclists and disabled people.
- Enhancement to the parish wide network of cycleways, paths and green lanes.

The parish will be a place where people have the opportunity to access and enjoy our natural environment. Key Objectives

- A parish-wide network of accessible green-spaces, play spaces and allotments.
- The Prom is revitalised to support a range of outdoor leisure and exercise activities.
- Mount's Bay Maritime Park enhances the coastal path and connects inland to the existing network of cycleways, paths and green lanes.
- Future development will maintain or enhance the quality and diversity of the green infrastructure.

Future development will respect the quality and heritage of our built and natural landscape and the distinct identities of the communities that make it up.

Key Objectives

- Development respects and reflects the distinct identity of the various communities which make up the parish.
- Development will maintain or enhance the interface with the natural environment and green infrastructure.

What's next?

When we've got your feedback on the current "working draft" Neighbourhood Plan, a final draft will go out for 6 weeks public consultation. Feedback from that process will be reflected in the final Neighbourhood Plan which will be voted on in a Referendum in Spring 2019.

There's a whole lot more to the Neighbourhood Plan than we're able to describe here. Find out more..... come to the Community Conversation Zone or go to our website www.pznp.co.uk or Facebook Page www.facebook.com/pznp1

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN RECONNECTING WITH THE SEA

A series of interlinked regeneration projects reinvigorating the shoreline and town centre.

- Finding new uses for town centre buildings.
- Public realm improvements and traffic calming making our communities better places to live in and enjoy.
- Developing the Headland as a leisure destination around the harbour, Jubilee Pool and Coinagehall.
- Shoreline management and sea defences to protect our natural asset and encourage inward investment.
- Dedicated activity zones along the Promenade.
- Harbour improvements in Penzance and Newlyn to create new business and job prospects, and attract additional visitors.

WHERE YOU LIVE

- Genuinely affordable housing within local communities.
- Bringing redundant sites and buildings into use for housing and work spaces.
- Communities have access to green spaces and are connected by a network of foot, cycle and pathways.
- The distinct identity of communities across the parish is recognised and respected.



WORKING TOGETHER

The future for Penzance looks positive. More people are using and visiting the town, businesses are investing and there is support from national and local government.

The Penzance Regeneration Partnership brings together the following organisations which work to secure investment and regeneration.



Government support for coastal towns



Representing the views of the community on the future shape of the parish



Investing for a stronger town centre



Chamber of Commerce, the voice of business in Penzance



Representing Penwith's tourism sector



Local Authority providing councillor and officer support



Town Council representing the electorate



Building skills for the future



PENZANCE EXPO 2018

6/12 October 2018
St John's Hall