



Devon Strategic Partnership
Sustainable Community Strategy Evidence Base

Key Issues and Themes – from Strategies

When identifying issues and challenges facing Devon, we also need to look at the strategic priorities and issues identified by key delivery partners in Devon. The list below is not exhaustive and can be added to over time, but it provides a realistic overview of some of the concerns being tackled.

Organisation	Economy	Environment	CYPS	Older People	Housing	Health	Communities and leadership	Culture	Access	Crime and safety	Rural
East Devon District Council	Encourage a flourishing local economy	Take care of and improve our environment					Achieve thriving, balanced communities Provide community leadership and good value for money, customer focused services				
Exeter City Council	a prosperous City	a City where the environment is cared for	a learning City		a City where everyone has a home	a City where people are healthy and active	a City of strong communities an electronic City an accessible City	a cultural and fun place to be a learning city	an electronic City an accessible City	a safe City	
Mid Devon District Council		Managing the Environment			Decent & Affordable Homes		Delivering a Well-Managed Council Community Well-Being				
North Devon District Council	Promoting the local economy	Improving waste management: recycling: keeping the streets clean Manage and enhance the impact of the Council on the environment			Tackling the housing problem		Providing good efficient services		Improving the way you can access our services		
South Hams District Council	Create the conditions for the growth and maintenance of quality economic activity	Maintain a clean environment Maintain the district's distinctive environment whilst enabling access and sensitive development			Secure a supply of housing for local people at affordable levels		Improve core service performance in a cost-effective way		Work with others to improve access to key services		
Teignbridge District Council		Increase recycling and reduce waste	Maintain children's play areas		Provide more affordable and social housing		Tackle anti social behaviour and enforcement Improve public car parks and toilets			Tackle anti social behaviour and enforcement	
Torridge District Council	Promote sustainable economic growth	Promote sustainable economic growth Safeguard the environment					Aim to become an excellent Council Improve the quality of life for all				
West Devon Borough Council	The promotion of economic prosperity and tackling of poverty and exclusion within the Borough	Making the Borough an attractive, healthy and safe place to live in			Achieving a Borough where all residents are satisfactorily housed	Making the Borough an attractive, healthy and safe place to live in	The promotion of economic prosperity and tackling of poverty and exclusion within the Borough Enabling and supporting public and community facilities		The promotion of economic prosperity and tackling of poverty and exclusion within the Borough Enabling and supporting public and community facilities	Making the Borough an attractive, healthy and safe place to live in	
Devon County Council	We will support Devon's economy by:	minimise waste, increase recycling and composting and reduce the landfilling of waste	We will support parents, families and carers in helping children and young people to:	ALL PEOPLE, NOT JUST OLDER We want to enable people to:				Encourage cultural organisations in Devon to work together to offer better cultural experiences which celebrate diversity and help to promote strong and inclusive communities			
		tackle traffic congestion and air pollution and improve public transport;						Improve opportunities for people of all ages to explore and develop their own creative potential and learn from their cultural experiences			
	Promoting a strong positive image for Devon as a dynamic and sustainable place to live, work, learn and visit	conserve the natural environment and improve the environment in which we live and work	Stay fit and healthy in mind and body	stay healthy and safe in their own home				Enhance Devon's reputation as home for high quality cultural experiences and enterprises			
	Unlocking the economic potential of disadvantaged communities		Stay safe from harm and be protected from abuse and neglect	enjoy a good quality of life through access to leisure and social activities				Promote Devon's cultural life in order to strengthen the local economy			
	Supporting the growth of businesses in targeted sectors and through access to technology		Enjoy learning, aim for excellence and achieve to the best of their ability	make a positive contribution to their community through employment, volunteering and involvement in decision making							
	Helping Devon's workforce develop the skills employers need		Be valued members of the community who contribute positively	maintain personal dignity and take control of their lives by exercising choice							
			Find a good job and provide for themselves	realise a sufficient income to meet their needs and participate in community life							
				have equality of access to services and protection from discrimination and harm							

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Plymouth	Developing a prosperous economy Developing an effective transport system	Developing an effective transport system Maintaining a clean and sustainable environment	Raising educational achievement			Improving health and well-being	Promoting inclusive communities	Stimulating culture and leisure activities		Promoting community safety	
Torbay	To develop a prosperous economy and create increased employment in Torbay for a more sustainable future To enable and encourage young people to enjoy and achieve, improve their economic wellbeing and encourage them to make, a positive contribution to society	To sustain and improve the environment of Torbay and reduce the amount of waste that is disposed of to landfill	To enable and encourage young people to enjoy and achieve, improve their economic wellbeing and encourage them to make, a positive contribution to society		To deliver improved access to good quality affordable homes and related services for the people of Torbay	To improve the health and social wellbeing of Torbay residents and reduce inequalities	To work in partnership with others to improve the quality of life and create a safer environment for all To improve the health and social wellbeing of Torbay residents and reduce inequalities To inspire and enable the development of sustainable communities in Torbay	To create a more vibrant and diverse mix of cultural activities in Torbay's outstanding location which are recognised, valued and taken up by local people and visitors alike		To work in partnership with others to improve the quality of life and create a safer environment for all	
Environment Agency	Be the champion of the environment (in the context of sustainable development) and advise on environmental issues, whilst taking account of economic and social issues	Work directly to tackle environmental problems as an efficient operator Work with businesses as a modern regulator to help them reduce their effect on the environment. Highlight the problems facing the environment and explain the need for action as an active communicator					Be an influential adviser and an effective partner, persuading others to act and to work with us				
Natural England		A healthy natural environment: England's natural environment will be conserved and enhanced. Enjoyment of the natural environment: more people enjoying, understanding and acting to improve, the natural environment more often. Sustainable use of the natural environment A secure environmental future: decisions which collectively secure the future of the natural environment						Enjoyment of the natural environment: more people enjoying, understanding and acting to improve, the natural environment, more often.			
South West RDA	Further economic development and regeneration of its region To create business efficiency, investment and competitiveness in its region, and to promote employment in its region To enhance the development and application of skills relevant to employment in its region To contribute to the achievement of sustainable development in the UK where it is relevant in the region to do so To raise business productivity and to increase economic inclusion To improve regional communications and partnership Support the growth of new and existing businesses Drive the development of a skilled and adaptable workforce Encourage and supply quality business sites and premises Develop the South West as a leading		To enhance the development and application of skills relevant to employment in its region				To increase economic inclusion Encourage wider participation in economic activity Support the regeneration of disadvantaged communities				
Devon and Cornwall Police Authority							Reducing disorder, crime and the fear of crime Treating everyone fairly and increasing public confidence and trust in the police			Upholding the law, protecting life and property Reducing disorder, crime and the fear of crime Improving customer satisfaction Engaging in partnerships and building safer communities	
Devon Primary Care Trust											

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Learning and Skills Council	To boost the contribution of education and training to economic performance. Involve the employers of Devon and Cornwall in the post-16 agenda and increase the number of employers investing in the continuous development of their employees Develop a strategy for improving the skills of the workforce in Devon and Cornwall in line with predicted future skills needs develop and deliver a strategy for retraining the workforce who were affected by the foot and mouth crisis in line with restructuring the rural economy.		Our main priorities are to encourage more young people to stay in learning, to increase demand for learning by adults and to boost the contribution of education and training to economic performance.				Develop a strategy to increase demand for learning in the most disadvantaged areas of Devon and Cornwall		Put in place the research needed to allow us to identify and deal with issues related to the participation of minority groups. Deal with the needs of learners who are at a disadvantage through rural isolation. Develop and deliver a strategy for retraining the workforce who were affected by the foot and mouth crisis in line with restructuring the rural economy.		Deal with the needs of learners who are at a disadvantage through rural isolation.
Dartmoor National Park		Look after Dartmoor's assets Provide sustainable access for all Maintain a living working landscape and thriving community					Develop an effective, innovative learning organisation Maintain a living working landscape and thriving community		Provide sustainable access for all		
Exmoor National Park		To conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the National Parks					to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Parks by the public	To conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the National Parks to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Parks by the public	to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Parks by the public		
Government Office South West	Sustainable Growth Create the right conditions for business success and sustainable economic growth	Promote sustainable development and ensure it is at the heart of regional and local policy making Develop practical solutions to address key strategic issues on climate change, energy, policy, and waste management Agreement on the role of the largest urban areas in attracting and delivering economic and population growth. Reduce congestion, make roads safer and improve air quality Improved and innovative public transport which will increase access to public services and reduce social exclusion	Improved outcomes on the Government's policies for Children and Young People.		Well-integrated and effective regional and local strategies for delivering sustainable growth, based on realistic and affordable plans for jobs, homes and services. A more strategic approach to new housing investment based on increased knowledge of sub-regional housing market pressures and housing need Agreement on the role of the largest urban areas in attracting and delivering economic and population growth. Additional housing growth and improvements to the housing stock made to support the development of mixed and sustainable communities which promote job opportunities and help to narrow inequalities in health, education, employment, liveability and crime.	Improve the health of the population and tackle damaging health inequalities that mean some sections of society cannot share the overall improvements in population health achieved in the last century	Social Inclusion and Well-being Additional housing growth and improvements to the housing stock made to support the development of mixed and sustainable communities which promote job opportunities and help to narrow inequalities in health, education, employment, liveability and crime. Make the South West one of the safest places in the UK, with strong communities which are empowered to have a greater role in reducing inequality and improving the areas in which they work, live and play. Achieve a society in which we tackle inequality and welcome diversity and local people are able to influence local decision-making and public service delivery.		Social Inclusion and Well-being Improved and innovative public transport which will increase access to public services and reduce social exclusion	Additional housing growth and improvements to the housing stock made to support the development of mixed and sustainable communities which promote job opportunities and help to narrow inequalities in health, education, employment, liveability and crime.	Enhance the quality of life for people in rural areas and promote the economy of rural areas. Promote the effective delivery of services, business support and community development for rural areas.
South West Tourism	grow the value of visitors to the region rather than just the volume of visitors create quality jobs with career progression and prospects - not just quantity jobs unite businesses into Brand Clusters and destinations to enable them to exceed customer expectations move the industry into a new era of technology supported customer relationship marketing provide a focus and unity within the industry	protect the natural and built environment be responsible for, and work to alleviate, the environmental and social impact of tourism					include local people in key decisions about the future of tourism in the South West				
Probation Service							Protect the public Ensure that offenders are aware of the effects of crime on victims and others Ensure the proper punishment of offenders in the community Reduce re-offending Rehabilitate offenders			Protect the public Ensure that offenders are aware of the effects of crime on victims and others Ensure the proper punishment of offenders in the community Reduce re-offending Rehabilitate offenders	

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Devon Fire and Rescue Service										<p>Reduce deaths and injuries in accidental dwelling fires</p> <p>Reduce deliberate fires</p> <p>Efficient use of resources to ensure a balance between response and prevention across all sectors of the community</p>	
Job Centre Plus	<p>Increase the effective supply of labour by promoting work as the best form of welfare and helping unemployed and economically inactive people move into employment</p> <p>Pay customers the correct benefit at the right time and protect the benefit system from fraud, error and abuse</p> <p>Provide high-quality and demand-led services to employers, which help fill job vacancies quickly and effectively with well-prepared and motivated employees</p> <p>Help people facing the greatest barriers to employment to compete effectively in the labour market and move into and remain in work</p> <p>Ensure that people receiving working age benefits fulfil their responsibilities while providing appropriate help and support for those without work</p>						<p>Increase the effective supply of labour by promoting work as the best form of welfare and helping unemployed and economically inactive people move into employment</p> <p>Help people facing the greatest barriers to employment to compete effectively in the labour market and move into and remain in work</p> <p>Ensure that people receiving working age benefits fulfil their responsibilities while providing appropriate help and support for those without work</p> <p>Increase Jobcentre Plus' overall productivity, efficiency and effectiveness</p>		<p>Work towards parity of outcomes for ethnic minority customers</p> <p>Improve continuously the quality, accessibility and delivery of services to all customers</p>		
Youth Offending Team			<p>Swift administration of justice so that every young person accused of breaking the law has the matter resolved without delay</p> <p>Confronting offenders with consequences of their offending</p> <p>Intervention which tackles the particular factors which put a young person at risk of offending</p> <p>Punishment proportionate to the seriousness and persistence of offending</p> <p>Encouraging reparation to victims by young offenders</p> <p>Reinforcing responsibilities of parents</p>							<p>Swift administration of justice so that every young person accused of breaking the law has the matter resolved without delay</p> <p>Confronting offenders with consequences of their offending</p> <p>Intervention which tackles the particular factors which put a young person at risk of offending</p> <p>Punishment proportionate to the seriousness and persistence of offending</p> <p>Encouraging reparation to victims by young offenders</p> <p>Reinforcing responsibilities of parents</p>	
Highways Agency		<p>Reducing congestion and improving reliability</p> <p>Improving road safety</p> <p>Respecting the environment</p> <p>Seeking feedback from customers</p>					Seeking feedback from customers				