

Milton Abbot, Chillaton and Kelly Neighbourhood Plan

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RESIDENTS QUESTIONNAIRE

Return this form on time and you could win £50!

If you return your completed questionnaire by **???????? 2017** together with the slip from the covering letter, you'll be entered in a prize draw, with the winner receiving £50!

Some of the questions on this form are factual, some seek an opinion and the views expressed by the person completing the form may well be pretty similar to anyone else living in the same home.

But, if any other person living in your home wants to express different views, please tick more than one of the 'Agree/Neutral/Disagree' boxes or use the comments boxes, as appropriate. Or, you can obtain an additional form, by going to www.?????????.com and downloading one or by calling the MACKPlan team on 01822 860378.

Please tick or complete the appropriate boxes.

Part 1: About you, your home and the people who live there.

- 1) Do you live in or nearest to: Milton Abbot Chillaton Kelly
Bradstone Dunterton

If this your second home, please tick here and go straight to Part 3.

- 2) Please indicate the number of people who live in your home, by age group.

Under 5	5 - 10	11-18	19 - 30	31 - 50	51 - 65	66 - 75	75+

- 3) Is your home:

- a) Owned by one or more of the people who live there?
- b) Rented from a private landlord?
- c) Rented from a housing association or the local authority?

- d) A house tied to the job of someone living there?

- e) A 'shared ownership' property? *

- f) Other [please specify below]

*A 'shared ownership' property is one where you pay a combination of rent and mortgage payments, usually to a housing association.

4) How would you describe your home?

a) House

b) Bungalow

c) Flat

d) Caravan/mobile home

e) Retirement housing

f) Sheltered housing

g) Other [please specify below]

5) How many bedrooms are there?

6) How many years have you lived in this area?

Less than 5

5 - 10

More than 10

Always

7) Has anyone from your family moved away from the MACKPlan area in the last 5 years, due to difficulties in finding an *affordable home in the area? Yes No **Go to Q. 9**

8) Would anyone from your family referred to in Q.7 above, want to return to the MACKPlan area if a suitable *affordable home was available? Yes No

* Affordable housing is either:

- rented from a Housing Association at an affordable rent
- in shared ownership, where a mix of mortgage and rent payments are made.

9) Does **everyone** living in your home think they will need to move **together** to a new home within five years?

Yes

Go to Part 2

No

Go to Part 3

10) Does **anyone** other than you, living in your home, think they will need to move within five years?

Yes

Those concerned need to complete their own questionnaire. Go to www.?????????.com to download another one, or call 01822 860378.

No

Go to Part 3

Part 2: Your future housing needs

Only complete this Part if your home is unsuitable for your needs or will be so in the next five years.

1) When do you expect to need to move?

Within 2 years

3 - 5 years

2) Would you prefer to:

a) Buy on the open market?

b) Rent from a private landlord?

c) Rent from a housing association?

d) Have a shared ownership home?

e) Other [please specify below]

3) Please choose your main reason for needing to move:

- a) Need a larger home
- b) Need a smaller home
- c) Need a home adapted for physical disabilities
- d) Need to be closer to place of work
- e) Need to be closer to a carer

- f) Need to be closer to a dependent person
- g) Need a lower cost home
- h) Need a permanent home
- i) Need independent living
- j) Need a different type of home
- f) Other [please specify below]

4) Where would you like to move to?

- a) Within your village
- b) Within the MACKPlan area
- c) Elsewhere within West Devon
- d) Further away
- e) No preference

5) What type of home do you need?

- a) House
- b) Bungalow
- c) Flat/maisonette
- d) Retirement
- e) Sheltered/supported
- f) Other [please specify below]

6) What is the minimum number of bedrooms you will need?

If you have any doubts about your ability to buy or rent in the open market and wish to consider some form of 'affordable housing'*, then you should register with Devon Home Choice. Please call West Devon Borough Council on 01822 813600 for an application form and advice.

Please tick here if you have done so or are already registered with Devon Home Choice.

* Affordable housing is either:

- rented from a Housing Association at an affordable rent
- in shared ownership, where a mix of mortgage and rent payments are made

Part 3: Your views about this area and its future

Here are some specific questions about various aspects of life in our area, chosen following a small pilot survey.

1) How important are the following to you?

- a) A sense of belonging to the local community
- b) The rural environment and its landscape
- c) Good public transport
- d) Local facilities like village halls, shops and pubs
- e) Opportunities for local employment
- f) Improving road safety for pedestrians
- g) Roads and pavements kept weed and litter free

	Important		Neutral		Not important
	5	4	3	2	1
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Q. 1) continued:

- h) Reducing traffic speeds in villages
- l) Easy access to public footpaths and bridleways
- j) Improving facilities for cyclists
- k) Support for farming and other local businesses
- l) Local social activities
- m) Better mobile phone reception
- n) Faster broadband speeds
- o) Improving the safety of journeys to school

	Important		Neutral		Not important
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Please list up to three of your favourite recreational, social or leisure activities that use local facilities:

The questions above were structured so that the results can be analysed. But, you may have issues we haven't thought of, or answers that don't fit our questions. So, it would be very helpful if you would please respond as you wish, to the general questions below.

2) What do you most like about living here?

3) What changes or improvements would you most like to see?

NEW HOMES

The Borough Council is currently working with other Councils on a new Joint Local Plan that will cover the areas of West Devon, South Hams and Plymouth. It has assessed the ability of the smaller villages in its area to accept new homes that are sustainable, depending on whether there are local facilities in place like shops and public transport.

The Council intends that Milton Abbot should have 20 new homes over the next 15 years. It does not consider that Chillaton should be required to have any new homes during that time.

I live in Milton Abbot	
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I live in Chillaton	
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I don't live in either village	
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1) If you live in either village, do you think the proposals for new homes for your village are reasonable?

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

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2) Although the Borough Council does not have a new homes target for Chillaton, that does not prevent applications being made for planning permission. If new homes were built in Milton Abbot or in Chillaton, should they be on:

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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- a) One larger development?
- b) Several smaller developments?
- c) Individual plots of one or two homes?

Any comment you wish to make:

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3) Should these new homes be built for **anyone**:

- a) Who wants to buy one?
- b) Who wants to rent one?
- c) Who needs a subsidised rent?
- d) Who needs to pay part mortgage/part rent?
- e) Who will self-build?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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a					
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4) Should these new homes be built **only for any person who qualifies as a local resident** and:

- a) Wants to buy one?
- b) Wants to rent one?
- c) Needs a subsidised rent?
- d) Needs to pay part mortgage/part rent?
- e) Who will self-build?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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Any comment you wish to make:

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5) Should they be:

- a) Designed to meet the needs of elderly/infirm people?
- b) Low cost/starter/affordable homes?
- c) Family homes?
- d) Retirement homes/apartments?
- e) Social housing [managed by a housing association]?
- f) Sheltered housing for elderly people?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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Any comment you wish to make:

6) What should new homes look like?

Probably, most people would prefer to see well-designed homes that suit their surroundings, but how far should MACKPlan try to control the way homes look?

Do you think that in villages:

- a) New buildings should be built in a similar style to existing homes in the immediate area?
- b) There should be no restrictions on building materials?
- c) The restrictions in a) should only apply in Conservation Areas?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
	5	4	3	2	1
a					
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Any comment you wish to make:

7) Should there be boundaries to our villages, outside which development would not normally take place?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
	5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

8) **Where should new homes be built in Milton Abbot?** The Borough Council has identified several sites in and around the village that it considers may have development potential. They are shown on Map 1 on Page 12 of this questionnaire. If you live in Milton Abbot, please indicate whether or not you agree that these sites [A to C] are suitable for new homes:

- Site A) Land adjoining Fore Street - up to 10 homes
- Site B) Allotment Gardens, Fore Street - up to 5 homes
- Site C) Land next to Vicarage Gardens - up to 5 homes

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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A					
B					
C					

9) Can you suggest any other sites suitable for housing development in Milton Abbot or do you have any other comment you wish to make?

10) **The Borough Council has identified a site on the edge of Chillaton** that it considers may have development potential. It is shown on Map 2 on Page 13 of this questionnaire. If you live in Chillaton, please indicate whether or not you agree that this site is suitable for new homes:

Land between Sunwaye and Marlow Crescent [Palmer's field] - up to 10 homes

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

11) Can you suggest any other sites suitable for housing development in Chillaton or do you have any other comment you wish to make?

Local amenities

Many community assets like village halls, shops, post offices and pubs are either vulnerable to closure or have already disappeared. MACKPlan alone cannot keep them going or bring them back. However, it would be possible to ensure that existing assets have some protection from being sold for other purposes, against the wishes of local residents.

1) Do you think it would be reasonable to require a community asset to be offered for sale for its existing use at its market price for a set period of time without success, before planning permission for any change of use could be granted?

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

2) Do you think that the Parish Council should seek the registration of all community assets in its area? Registered assets cannot be sold unless the local community has had time to decide whether or not it wishes to make an offer to purchase.

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

3) Do you think you might be prepared to offer practical help to provide new community facilities such as a village shop or retain existing ones, by:

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Yes | No |
| a) working as a volunteer? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) serving on a management committee? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) making a financial investment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Any comment you wish to make:

Landscape and heritage

Although the MACKPlan area adjoins an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty [AONB] and part of it was once included in an Area of Great Landscape Value [AGLV], our local landscape currently has no statutory protection against inappropriate development.

The Parish Council has raised concerns about this and MABRAKE [a local residents' group, seeking to protect the landscape of the area] is currently campaigning to bring about an extension of the Tamar Valley AONB that would include the MACKPlan area.

If that was successful, residents wanting to extend their homes, for example, would find they needed to apply for planning permission when currently they might not need to. In general, the restrictions imposed on residential properties would be similar to those that apply in a Conservation Area.

1) Should there be more protection for our landscape, even though you would have to accept that there might be additional circumstances when planning permission would be needed for alterations to your property?

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

Generating renewable energy

Although various methods of generating 'green' energy have proved controversial, clean renewable power is something that the Government is committed to increasing, over time. MACKPlan will need to make a contribution to that process, through it's planning policies on renewable energy development.

Because of the prevalence of winds at high enough speeds, the MACKPlan area has been identified as being technically suitable for large wind turbines, but MACKPlan's policies will determine whether or not any more large wind turbines can be built here.

1) Should our contribution to green energy targets be met by:

- a) Requiring all new commercial and agricultural buildings to be fitted with solar panels?
- b) Requiring all new developments to meet the optimum insulation and the minimum carbon footprint standards then in force?
- c) Accepting that there should be more large wind turbines erected in the plan area, given the suitable winds?
- d) Encouraging domestic solar panels, wind turbines and hydro-electric plants?
- e) Encouraging the provision of large scale ground-level solar panel installations?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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f) Other [please specify]					

Any comment you wish to make:

Local Green spaces

The existing planning policies of the Borough Council have designated areas in both Chillaton and Milton Abbot as 'Important open space within settlements' and state that they should not be developed. These areas are shown on Maps 3 & 4 on Pages 14 and 15 of this questionnaire.

More recent national planning policies allow for the creation of Local Green Spaces and the Borough Council has decided that Neighbourhood Plans should determine whether any such spaces should be identified and given protection against development.

A green space should be reasonably close to the community it serves, demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance, because of its beauty, history, tranquillity, recreational value or richness of its wildlife.

If you live in Chillaton

- a) Do you think that such spaces should be given special protection?
- b) Do you think that the area A on Map 3 should become a Local Green Space?
- c) Do you think that the area B on Map 3 should become a Local Green Space?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
	5	4	3	2	1
a					
b					
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If you agree that area A should be a Local Green space, please say why:

If you agree that area B should be a Local Green space, please say why:

Are there any other potential Local Green Spaces you wish to identify?

If you live in Milton Abbot

- a) Do you think that such spaces should be given special protection?
- b) Do you think that the area A on Map 4 should become a Local Green Space?
- c) Do you think that the area B on Map 4 should become a Local Green Space?
- d) Do you think that the area C on Map 4 should become a Local Green Space?

	Agree		Neutral		Disagree
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If you agree that area A should be a Local Green space, please say why:

If you agree that area B should be a Local Green space, please say why:

If you agree that area C should be a Local Green space, please say why:

Are there any other potential Local Green Spaces you wish to identify?

Do you run a local business?

If you run a local business, no matter how large or small, you may well have concerns that don't directly affect those who just live here. Please go to www.mackplan.com and download a short questionnaire.

What happens next?

Text here

Interested in the work that's being done on MACKPlan?
Why not come along to a meeting and see if you'd like to join the team?
Call 01822 860378 to find out more.

Part 4: What do you think about:

Village Halls?

The village hall in Chillaton closed years ago and the building was sold. The money raised has been managed ever since by the Chillaton Public Hall Trust, which has used some of the interest received to support various social activities in the village. At present, the Trust has about £55,000 invested.

In an ideal world, most villagers would probably support the idea of building a new village hall. In practice, raising the amount of money needed would be a huge challenge. For example, Lifton have raised £???,000 including a Lottery grant of £560,000 towards the cost of building their new hall. Running a village hall is not easy either and the lack of people willing to volunteer to do so is currently a matter of national concern.

So, is it time to have another go at getting a new hall or should Chillaton decide that this is unrealistic and consider other means of using the Trust's capital to benefit the village? If you live in or near to Chillaton, what's your view?

1) Should we decide not to try and build a new hall in Chillaton and use the money for the general benefit of the village?

Agree		Neutral		Disagree
5	4	3	2	1

Any comment you wish to make:

2) If you disagree with Q.1, would you be prepared to support the provision of a new village hall, by:

	Yes	No	Any comment you wish to make:
a) working as a volunteer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b) serving on a management committee?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c) making a financial investment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

3) If you agreed with Q.1, what should we use the money for?

- a) Improving public footpaths and bridleways.
- b) Improving facilities for cyclists.
- c) Improving road safety for pedestrians.
- d) Reducing traffic speeds.
- e) Encouraging community social activities
- f) Improving mobile phone reception.

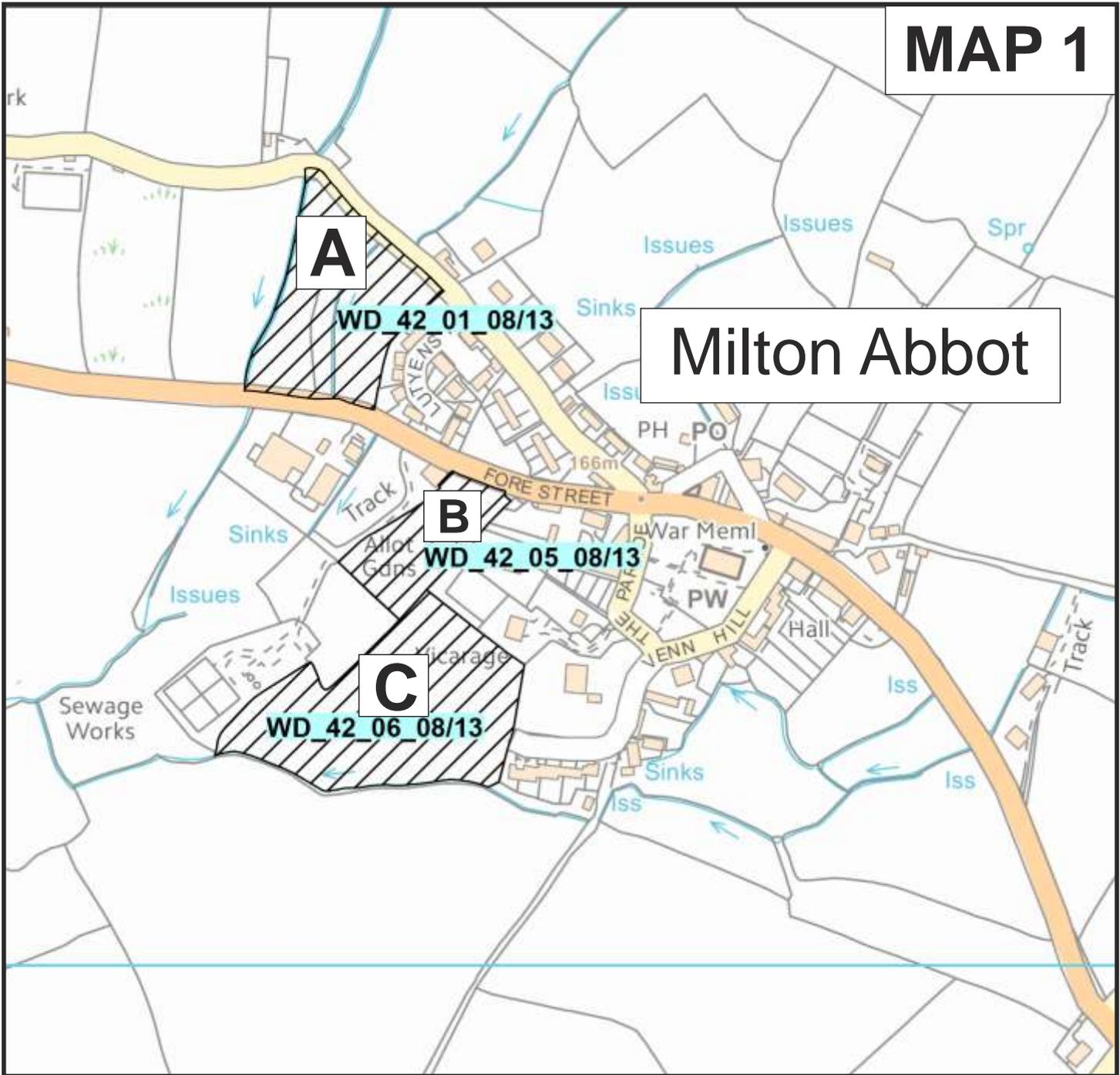
	Agree		Neutral		Disagree		Priority ranking
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Do you have any other suggestions and how would you rank them?

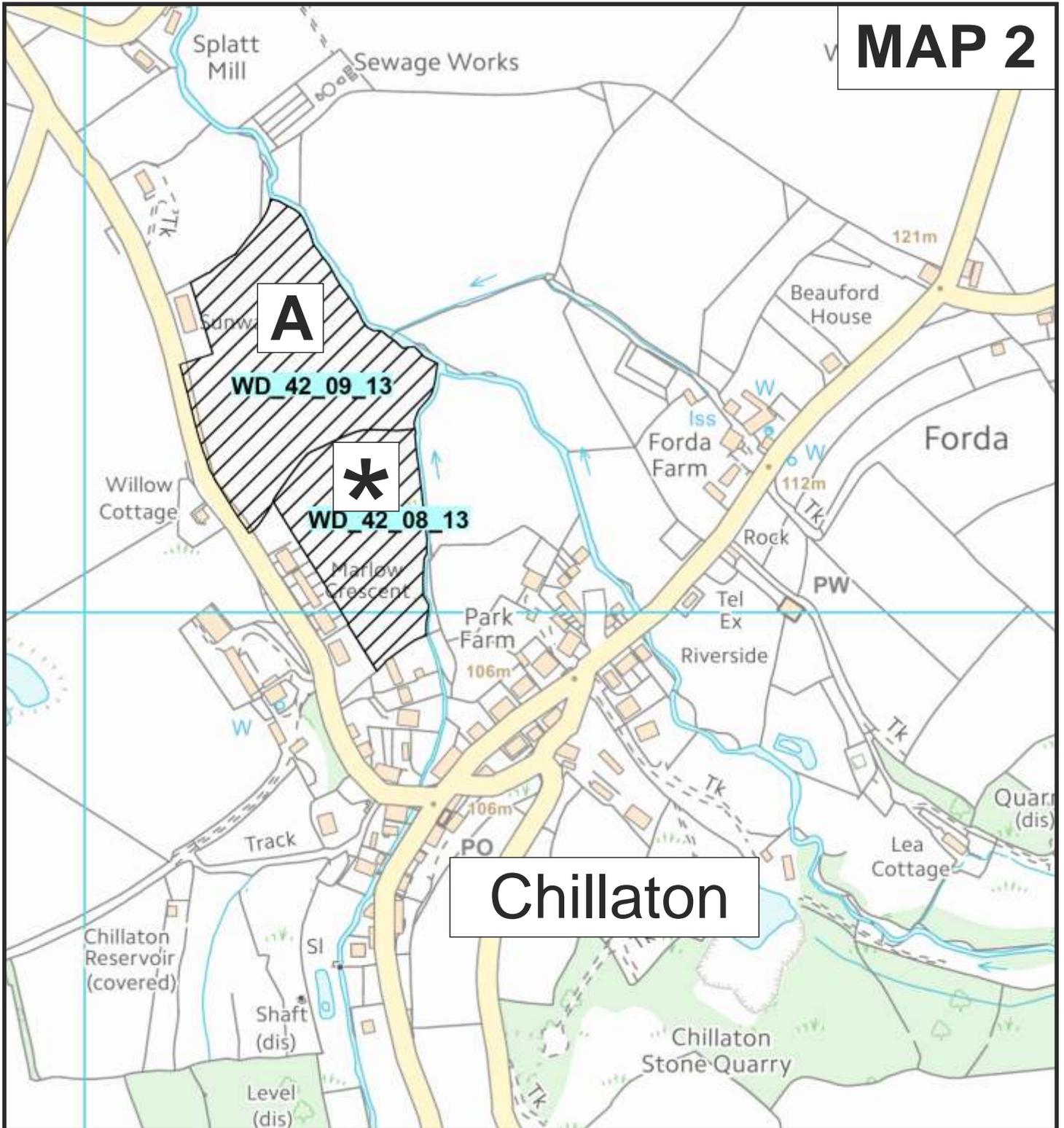
Thank you for your time!

Please return your completed questionnaire in the pre-paid envelope provided.

MAP 1



MAP 2

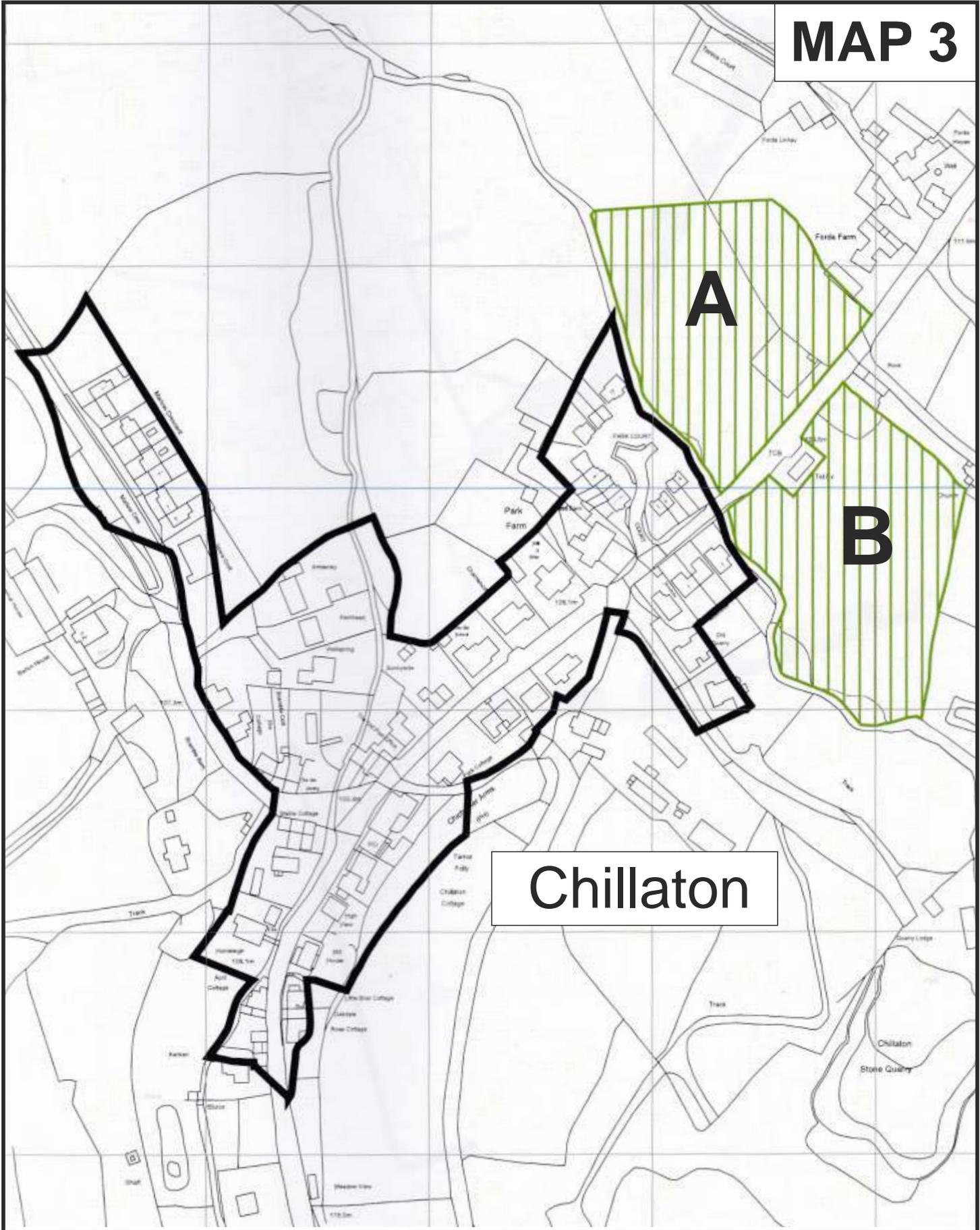


Land to the East of Marlow Crescent

Views of West Devon Borough Council:

“Due to the significant constraints identified relating to impact on character of the village, the site is not considered to have potential for development at this time.”

MAP 3



Chillaton

Milton Abbot

