

Main Survey Results Review Summary

Housing

- We need more affordable homes
- We need more age-appropriate dwellings
- We should resist the growth in second homes
- We do not want a lot more homes built – but recognise that some new development is necessary to help meet specific needs

Shopping and Shopping Centres

- We should resist loss or conversion of existing shops to other uses
- More shops would be welcomed
- We should retain and enhance our two ‘centres’
- We should protect and enhance the individual character of both centres
- We should encourage tourist-related development in and around the two centres

Traffic and Transport

- We should protect and improve the public transport services
- The transport network has to be improved
- Underhill should have a relief road
- Parking opportunities need increasing in the right places
- We should create more off-street parking
- We should enhance the cycle network

Leisure and Recreation

- We need to improve and extend the range of local leisure and recreation opportunities and facilities
- We need to improve our parks and open spaces
- We need better and more flexible community spaces
- We must create more opportunities for children and young people

Business

- We should protect our existing employment areas
- We should support local businesses
- We should allocate more land for business development
- We should encourage new business development
- We should enable the conversion redundant buildings for business purposes

The Environment

- Open areas should be protected
- We must protect our old buildings and heritage
- Wind, tidal and solar farm development is acceptable in the right places

In Short -Conclusions from Consultation

- **The Neighbourhood Plan should aim to:**
 - Provide the housing that local people need
 - Support the shopping centres and shopping function
 - Accommodate the car in an unobtrusive manner
 - Realise the leisure and recreation potential of the Island
 - Welcome responsible and sustainable tourism development, whilst protecting the special and unique character of Portland's natural and built environment
 - **Strengthen the Island's business function, building growth and prosperity**