

COMMENT FORM

Final Draft Local Plan Consultation: 16 September – 1 November 2019

Your comments will help us and the Inspector to identify any issues with the Plan relating to soundness, legal compliance and compliance with the Duty to Cooperate, and any changes to the Plan which may therefore be needed prior to adoption. Please carefully read the [accompanying guidance](#) before answering the following questions.

Responses must be received by 5pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019 for your comments to be taken into account. View the Dartmoor Local Plan (2018-2036) Final Draft at [www.dartmoor.gov.uk/localplanreview](http://www.dartmoor.gov.uk/localplanreview),

**PART A - About You**

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I am completing this form as (choose one)	A resident	<input type="checkbox"/>	An agent	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Town / Parish Council	<input type="checkbox"/>	An organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Job title (where relevant)	Director							
Organisation (where relevant)	Tamar Energy Community							
On behalf of (where relevant)								
Did you submit comments on the Regulation 18 (First Draft) Local Plan?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>				

\* Required field

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Your personal data will be securely held by Dartmoor National Park Authority for the purpose of assisting with the Local Plan Review process. To ensure an effective and fair examination, it is important that the Inspector and all other participants in the examination process are able to know who has commented on the plan. For the purposes of the examination, we will share your personal details and representation with the Inspector appointed, and publish your name and representations as part of a report on our website. For more information please refer to our [Forward Planning Privacy Notice](#).

Tick the box below if you would like to be added to our Local Plan consultee database and kept up to date with the Local Plan Review process and other planning policy matters.

Yes I would like to be added to the Local Plan consultee list

Additional space (please tell us which question you are continuing from):

Tamar Energy Community (TEC) supports and endorses the views of, and response from South Dartmoor Community Energy (SDCE) to Dartmoor National Plan 2018-2036 attached and the need for the radical scale of responses required to meet the Climate Emergency and Extinction Crisis.

#### Background to TEC

TEC was established in 2014 and registered with the FCA in July 2014. As SDCE we are a not for profit community benefit company with directors and members drawn principally from the local community. Our development was supported via Community Energy Accelerator Grants from Regen and Devon County Council and a Rural Community Energy Fund (RCEF) Grant from DEFRA and the then DECC (now BEIS) to progress our development.

TEC emerged from Transition Tavistock which developed community energy related initiatives from 2010. Our community of benefit includes the Southern Link parishes of West Devon including Dartmoor Forest, Burrator, Buckland Monachorum, Mary Tavy, Peter Tavy and Lydford and Callington and surrounding parishes.

TEC has installed community owned solar PV on the roofs of six host sites (totalling 325 kWp) including Mount Kelly's Prep and Senior School sites and Abbey Garden Machinery at Pitts Cleeve Industrial Estate in Tavistock. TEC is in the process of developing a further three sites in the Tavistock area.

TEC delivers energy advice services across the whole of West Devon including many free home visits and public events and clinics and an annual Energy Fest.

TEC is also involved in an innovation project (The Power in Your Hands) funded by Ofgem with Western Power Distribution to better understand how local substation data can help influence the behaviour of households to reduce the impact of peak energy usage and timeshift demand to better utilise renewable energy generation when this is available. The LV substation at the centre of this work is Meavy Way in Greenlands area of Tavistock, neighbouring Dartmoor National Park.

Energy Club is a new TEC initiative informed by the innovation and energy advice work to encourage households and citizens across the area to be more energy aware and take control of, and manage, their energy use with the aim of reducing their carbon footprints and energy use where feasible.

#### Conclusion

We support SDCE's conclusions and their optimism for the future if we are all able to act and respond together. We look forward to working in partnership with DNP and other community energy enterprises across DNP to develop a policy framework to meet the challenges we face. We already have a close relationship through the Devon Community Energy Network (DCEN) and the earlier SW Devon Community Energy Partnership (SWD CEP) in which Dartmoor National Park played an important role. If we are to succeed it will be through working co-operatively and collaboratively at the local level.

If you require help, or would like to receive this form in an alternative format, please contact the Forward Planning team:

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