

1] Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document

Totnes Town Council welcomes the drive by South Hams District Council to develop a structure to deliver Affordable Housing to the Community of Totnes.

The Council accepts the criteria of a minimum of 50% and welcomes the increase in Totnes to 55% on allocated sites. Though if possible a greater proportion should be achieved to match the Affordable Housing needs of Totnes.

In the management of Affordable Housing the council should ensure it is capable of enforcing any Nomination Agreement to the benefit of the Totnes Community.

Any 106 Agreement should ensure that the benefits come back into the Community and are not used to offset any other development cost.

The design standards of Affordable Housing should be amongst the highest for Sustainable housing and be reflected in the outgoing costs of running the the homes.

2] Local Development Framework Affordable Housing Development Plan Document

The Key Objectives set out in 4:2 provide a structure to deliver Affordable Housing for Totnes and the comments on this are contained within the submission the Town Council gave to the T&D development Plan document and should be referred to.

Housing Needs; though the needs are greater than the possibility of supply the infrastructure must be developed in relationship to the expansion of housing and not detract from the specific nature of the town.

Housing mix and Tenure; strongly agree

Affordable Housing; Affordable housing should reflect running costs as well.

Totnes Town Council.

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