

Planning Policy Team

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Dear Consultee,

draft Cornwall Design Guide & draft Cornwall Streetscape Design Guide

Cornwall Council has published a new draft Cornwall Design Guide and a new draft Cornwall Streetscape Design Guide for a six week consultation period from Monday 20th January to Monday 2nd March 2020. Both documents can be viewed alongside further information at www.cornwall.gov.uk/designguide.

- [Draft Cornwall Design Guide](#): The new Design Guide refreshes the current Design Guide to boost design quality, with particular emphasis on environmental growth, health & wellbeing, inclusivity and climate change resilience. It strongly encourages applicants to consider the site context, engage with stakeholders and Cornwall Council from the outset and demonstrate how the site analysis and feedback have shaped proposals. Each topic sets out a number of outcomes that we will be seeking in new development, with innovative design solutions specifically encouraged. The document has an interactive format with a new Design & Access Statement template and links to additional information and resources. It will replace the [current Design Guide](#) and the [Domestic Alterations and Extensions Guide](#).
- [Draft Streetscape Design Guide](#): Prepared by colleagues in the Transport & Infrastructure Service, this document provides guidance to develop streets and public spaces to a high quality that are inclusive, safe and accessible for all, serve the current and future needs of the communities of Cornwall, support a dynamic society and economy, promote more sustainable and healthy lifestyles (mental and physical wellbeing), and minimise our impact on the built and natural environment whilst making the most of the local green infrastructure assets. The guide

recognises that infrastructure provided for movement and access has a crucial role in meeting the Cornish climate change emergency objectives including reducing our reliance on the private car. The principles and outcomes have been drafted to ensure that they do not inhibit innovation or creativity.

Once finalised and adopted, both documents will be material considerations in the determination of planning applications.

Alternative ways to view the documents

Assistance with viewing the documents will be given upon request at the following locations:

- Cornwall Council Information Services (One Stop Shops) – for locations and opening times please see <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/contacting-the-council/information-service/>
- Cornwall Libraries (not including micro libraries) – for locations and opening times please see <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=24073>
- Reception at any of the main council offices in Penzance, Camborne, Truro: Pydar House, Truro: New County Hall, St Austell, Bodmin or Liskeard between 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday – for location information please see <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/contacting-the-council>

How to respond to the consultation

Due to the open nature of the consultation there is no form to complete but it would be helpful if you can specify the document and paragraph or Outcome you are responding to. To give your feedback on either or both documents please submit your feedback by **Monday 2nd March 2020** as follows:

By email: localplan@cornwall.gov.uk;

By post: Local Plan Team, Cornwall Council, Room 3B Pydar House, Pydar House, Pydar Street, Truro TR1 1XU; or

By hand: Drop written comments into any [Council Office](#) or any [Cornwall Council Information Services](#) (One Stop Shop)

If you have any queries regarding the consultation or wish to be removed from our list of consultees please contact a member of the Local Plan Team by emailing localplan@cornwall.gov.uk or by phoning 0300 1234 151.

Yours faithfully,

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