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Respondent	Theme	Summary of response	Action Taken/ Response
Resident	General	It would be useful to see the consultation results from the last time. Also, for each section it would be good to have a baseline against each of the aims and what steps are going to be taken to get to where we want to be. Make sure examples in the plan are not Sevenoaks dominated	The details of the consultation has been presented to Sevenoaks District Council and is available to for the public to view as part of the Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee papers dated 11 December. Baseline data will be agreed for the monitoring. Statistics and information in the plan represent strategic and district-wide information.
Resident	Caring	Section should reference people with disabilities and actions to improve their lives	Actions are already included in the Community Plan, including Priority 1, Caring Communities "Supporting people to lead safe, independent fulfilling lives". Text has now been amended to include appropriate references to disability on pages 13 and 14 of the Community Plan.
	Safe	More action against low-level rule breaking, especially use of mobile phones by drivers, parking on zig-zags, waiting on double-yellow lines.	Increased focus on dangerous and illegal parking within Priority 5, Safe Communities. In addition, the Community Safety Partnership Action Plan 2019-20, looks at all types of crime.

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Business	Caring	Encourage developers to build more resident suitable housing at all income brackets e.g. wider doors, step free access internally and externally	This is already captured as part of the Local Plan and delivery of the Sevenoaks District Housing Strategy, "Wellbeing Starts at Home". This is set out in the Caring section of the Community Plan.
	Green	Make the roads safer and easier for cyclists. Increase the density of electric vehicle charging points. Provide incentives for commuters. Solve the problem of commuter street parking in all residential areas	There is an increased focus on dangerous and illegal parking within Priority 5, Safe Communities. The provision of electric vehicle charging points is already considered as part of Priority 1, Sustainable Communities.
	Healthy	Reduce the speed limit to 20mph in built up areas and enforce. Encourage developers to build new houses that are suitable for a warming environment and make all new builds to passivhaus standard.	Speeding vehicles are addressed in Priority 5, Safe Communities. The Green Environment theme looks to the emerging Local Plan, which addresses energy use in new homes. The Council's Housing Strategy, also looks at energy efficiency of existing housing stock.
Resident	Safe	Ensure cyclists do not cycle on footpaths and pavements designated for pedestrians	The Community Plan focuses on promoting safe and high quality cycling routes within Priority 1, Sustainable Communities.
	Green	Study further the detrimental effects of noise and light pollution from street lights and aircraft	Noise and light pollution already feature in Priority 3 of Green Environment.
	Safe	Parking enforcement outside Edenbridge Primary School on Croft Lane	Increased focus on dangerous and illegal parking within the Community Plan - Priority 5, Safe Communities.

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Resident	Healthy	Provision of a fit for purpose leisure centre in Edenbridge	Priority 3, Healthy Communities sets out the following action "Support the retention of existing sport and leisure, unless it can be re-provided, taking into account local needs and improvements in quality through the Local Plan".
Resident	Safe	Concerned for the elderly by the number of people who cycle on the pavement.	The Community Plan focuses on promoting safe and high quality cycling routes within Priority 1, Sustainable Communities.
	Green	The planning policies including building on some green belt are at variance with green environment policies.	The Community Plan takes into account the emerging Local Plan. Both the Local Plan and the Community Plan set out measures to protect the Green Belt.
	Healthy	The planning policy of cramming more and more people into a smaller space will increase loneliness and the lack of a second bedroom may prevent an elderly person being cared for through an illness or after a fall	The Community Plan reflects the emerging Local Plan. This is based on a comprehensive community consultation and engagement process. Older peoples' housing needs are reflected within the Caring Communities and Healthy Environment theme of the Community Plan. The actions in the Community Plan reflect the Sevenoaks District Housing Strategy, which recognises the need to promote and support independence.

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	Safe	More traffic calming, better lit pedestrian crossings (preferably light controlled). More police presence	This is the responsibility of Kent County Council. There are also measures within Priority 5, Safe Communities, o make roads and pavements safer for vulnerable people" as well as "street lighting refurbishment".
	Caring	In conjunction with the proposed new Medical Practice it would be good to have in the home care to keep people away from hospitals	The Community Plan incorporates measures to support independence through the Better Care Fund and through Social Prescribing initiatives as set out within Caring Communities and Health Environment themes of the plan.
	Green	I don't want to see Edenbridge disappear under concrete, there are too many proposed planning applications without infrastructure thought	This is a comment on the Submission version of the Local Plan. Priority 1 of Sustainable Economy theme of the Community Plan addresses the infrastructure issues mentioned "Make it easier for people to travel to key local services and improve infrastructure".
	Healthy	We need our green spaces protected. Sencio Leisure Centre in Edenbridge needs investment to help residents keep healthy in conjunction with the proposed new medical centre/practice	The Community Plan Green Environment Theme seeks to protect and improve green and open spaces. Keeping people healthy and the prevention agenda are key theme of the Community Plan, particularly reflected in the Caring Communities theme and Healthy Environment theme of the plan.

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Resident	Sustainable	Why have the Bellway homes not had solar panels fitted? I would have thought it would be a must that any new developments have this facility as a planning regulation	This is comment on the Submission version of the Local Plan. Delivery of the Local Plan Policies are reflected in the Community Plan, particularly in the Green Environment theme of the plan.
Resident	Sustainable	Priority 2 can you provide numbers of planned housing-by type	The Community Plan is a strategic document reflecting the delivery of Sevenoaks District Council's Housing Strategy "Wellbeing Starts at Home", addresses the detail of housing delivery.
	Safe	More attention should be given to 'designing out crime' by improving street and car park lighting, more open footpaths and pavements and control of 'on the pavement' parking	Safe Communities - Priority 5 addresses issues about street lighting and dangerous and taking enforcement action on dangerous and illegal parking.
	Green	Street tree planting to be increased and better foot way routes through our parks and woodlands	Priority 3, Healthy Environment includes action to improve the quality of and access to open spaces, public rights of way, and cycling routes through the Local Plan.
	Healthy	Publish pollution levels for high street and such public areas and encouragement for allotment uptake	Priority 2, Green Environment ensures new development will take account of the Local Plan and Sevenoaks District Council's Air Quality Action Plan. Healthy Environment section takes into account the need to encourage access to green and open spaces.

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Resident	Dynamic	More support for local business and products - better local market	Measures to support business are already set out in the Community Plan. Priority 1, Dynamic Economy seeks to Promote economic growth and investment and Priority 4, set out to "Keep existing businesses, encourage new businesses and tourism."
	Sustainable	Temporary accommodation near high streets for start-up businesses	Priority 4, Dynamic Economy looks to the Local Plan to "use planning policies to encourage the re-use of existing retail units, where appropriate, to ensure active frontages."
Town/Parish Co	Sustainable	No comment regarding supporting a Lower Thames Crossing. This is desperately needed in the north of the district as the roads are often grid locked due to Dartford Bridge being closed or blocked.	Priority 1, Dynamic Economy looks to the Local Plan to ensure that Sevenoaks District Council works with neighbouring Local Authorities to taken into account the impact of major developments outside the District.
	Safe	More policing in out lying villages and more traffic warden visits	This is reflected in the Community Plan. Priority 1, Safe Communities "Make the work of the Police and partners more visible in local communities".
	Green	Protect the Green Belt, e.g. Pedham Place	This is a core principle of the Local Plan and the Community Plan.

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Resident	Healthy	Easy access to Doctors' surgeries for outlying villages	Priority 3, Healthy Environment seeks to "address the gap in General Practice primary health care services through the NHS Health and Social Care Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) process."
Access Group Member		There is a line towards the end stating availability in other formats and support via other languages. Excellent, but that guidance is in the wrong place?	Information now included at the beginning of the document as well.
Access Group Member	Equality inclusion statement	Says the right things and encouraging that disability is listed within the equality and inclusion statement on page 6.	No comment required
	Healthy Environment	Page 23: "Encourage people with disabilities to take part in sport and volunteering". This needs to be combined with accessibility of opportunity for this to happen and it would be good if it was explicit that providers need to be disability friendly alongside other measures such as enabling disabled people to physically get to leisure centres, etc.	The Community Plan is underpinned by accessibility. Any new facilities would be expected to be fully accessible to meet Submission version of the Local Plan and the Community Plan.

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		<p>Really pleased to see on page 20 under improving skills for employment: “Assess residents employment support needs, provide joined-up support and signpost people to appropriate services to meet their needs, particularly those needing the most support to access jobs and training.” This needs to then be joined up on the other end by improving employers’ understanding of how they can be disability confident and how they can use schemes such as Access to Work to enable more disabled people into work in the local area as well as retaining employees who develop disabilities whilst in role.</p>	<p>This will form part of the work of the Sevenoaks Supporting Local Strategic Partnership People into Employment Group. This can be done in coordination with the Access Group.</p>
	<p>Dynamic and Sustainable</p>	<p>General point re: both sustainable and dynamic economy: work with local business to support them in becoming disabled friendly as this will benefit both the local economy as well as disabled people.</p>	<p>This will be reflected at the level of the Local Strategic Partnership Supporting People into Employment Group, with working to help those with disabilities access employment and training opportunities.</p>
	<p>General</p>	<p>Social isolation is mentioned in the document. Social prescribing might be a part solution to this and other issues raised in the plan.,</p>	<p>Social prescribing principles have already been captured in the Community Plan, particularly under the Caring Communities and Healthy Environment themes of the Community Plan.</p>