

The future of Planning Committees

We would like to seek your views about the future of our Planning Committees.

In 2021 for the new administration of Cornwall Council there will be fewer Councillors, a reduction from 123 to 87, therefore the council is looking at its governance structure and various committees across the organisation.

We would be interested to get your feedback about Planning Committees.

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The survey is aimed at Town and Parish Councils, Planning Agents, Applicants, Members of the Public and anyone else who has experienced planning committees.

The consultation is open for 12 weeks from **21st February 2019 to 16th May 2019**.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/whats-new-in-planning/>

1. Do you consider that the proposed planning committee structure is likely to be effective?

On a scale of 1 - 5, where 1 is completely disagree with the effectiveness of the proposed structure and 5 being that you completely agree with the proposed structure:

2. Do you consider that the frequency and location of meetings is acceptable?

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On a scale of 1 - 5, where 1 is completely unacceptable with the frequency and locations of meetings and 5 being that the frequency and locations of meetings is completely acceptable:

3. Do you consider that the proposed committee structure caters for all stakeholders?

Please answer yes or no:

4. Any other general comments regarding planning committees?

If you wish to propose an alternative structure please do so here:

Please provide further comments below: