## Sandra Hutchings

From: DPD

**Subject:** FW: Local Plan Review - Responses to Scoping Report

From: Clare Dalley Sent: 24 July 2013 08:08

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Dear Liz and Peter

I write to confirm that Crediton Town Council has considered the Local Plan Review Scoping Report and would comment as follows:

#### **Amount and distribution of development**

It was **resolved** to support option 1, for the reason that Crediton has already exceeded its housing target and requires a comparable level of employment to service those people that will live in Crediton.

#### **Housing**

It was **resolved** to support option 2, however, the Town Council noted with alarm the Strategic Housing Market Assessment will be based on the demand across Exeter.

#### **Employment**

It was **resolved** to accept option 1, excluding the 1:1 relationship between jobs and population, and include small businesses being encouraged, e.g., by receiving a reduction in commercial business rates.

#### Retail

It was **resolved** to reject the option provided and to recommend to Mid Devon District Council that it ensures a relevant fixed percentage of 85% A1/A3 premises within the primary shopping area of Crediton High Street.

It is recognised that the main retail development floor space for the district is allocated to Tiverton.

## <u>Infrastructure</u>

It was **resolved** to accept option 1, with the provision that the community infrastructure levy payments should remain and be used in the community where it is raised.

### **Environment**

It was **resolved** to support option 2, a greater emphasis should be based on the quality of design particularly in smaller developments.

### **Crediton**

It was **resolved** to recommend a third option which is 'A new strategy be provided that gives a better balance between active business development and housing'. (Proposed by Cllr Dixon, seconded by Cllr Miss Harris)

The Council would like it noted that the report has been presented in extremely unclear, confusing and ambiguous language.

Yours sincerely,

Clare Dalley

# Clare Dalley (Mrs)

## **Town Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer**

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