BEER PARISH COUNCIL

Local Plan Consultation Analysis November 2012

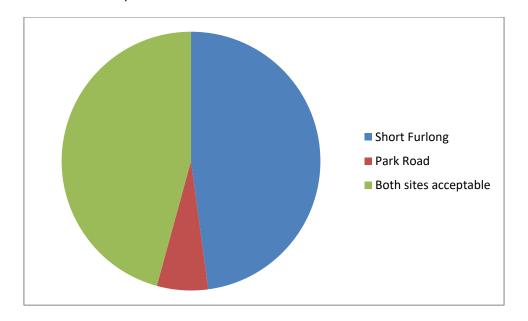
Beer has been allocated 40 new homes in the East Devon Local Plan 2006 - 2026, which in principle will give 16 to 20 affordable units. The Parish Council held an Open Day on Sunday 4 November at the Mariners' Hall between 10am and 2pm to consult with local people regarding the proposed development sites submitted by local landowners and assessed as developable by the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment Panel.

The two proposed sites in Beer were Short Furlong and Park Road.

104 people attended the day and 96 questionnaires were received. Below is a summary of the data received:

Question 1: Which of the two proposed Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment sites indicated on the map do you prefer?

A.	E320 Extension of Short Furlong development to the west	48%
B.	E311 Field to the south of Park Road to the west of Southdown	6%
C	Both sites are acceptable	46%

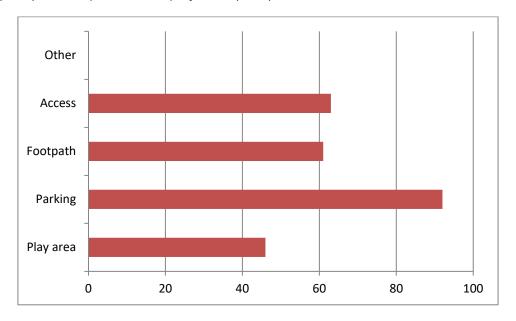


Question 2: What type of housing what you like to see?

67% of respondents indicated a preference for mixed housing with 2 and 3 bedroom properties the most sought after. Respondents generally ticked more than one category. Of the 96 respondents: 11 prioritised 1 bed; 27 prioritised 2 bed; 29 prioritised 3 bed and 2 prioritised 4 bed.

Question 3: What on site facilities would you like to see?

Of the 96 respondents: 92 prioritised parking (96%); 63 prioritised access (66%); 61 prioritised footpaths (64%) and 46 prioritised a play area (48%).



Question 4: Would you like to see flexible housing provision to include live/work units?

38% of respondents said yes; 62% said no.

Question 5: Would it be acceptable to have market housing on one site and affordable housing on another site (to enable the affordable housing allocation to be met)?

If both sites were to be developed, 46% of respondents indicated a preference for a mixture of affordable housing and market value housing on both sites.

Question 6: Would you support the introduction of a covenant which stipulated occupancy must be owner occupier or a bona fide landlord?

93% of respondents said yes; 7% said no.

Question 7: Would you support the creation of a Beer Community Land Trust to own and control community assets to include affordable housing?

99% of respondents said yes; 1% said no.

Question 8: Would you like to see more than 40 new houses in Beer before 2026

37% of respondents said yes; 63% of respondents said no. Of those that said yes, all of them stressed that any new housing should be affordable for Beer people, especially the younger generation.

Question 9: Based on previous consultation with the people of Beer, the following hopes and aspirations have been identified:

Respondents were asked to indicate their ongoing support for the following hopes and aspirations – the data is represented as a percentage.

More affordable housing - both by CLT and percentage of new build or other methods 86%

Car park on the east side of Beer (with safe pedestrian link)

67%

Semi-pedestrianization of Lower Fore Street while retaining access to the beach

50%

A prosperous tourist trade based on an historic fishing village (reliant upon car parks, coach park, public toilets, play and recreation areas, Heritage Centre and high design standards) 82%

Safe short footpath to Seaton (part of Jurassic Coast and SW Coast Path experience)

90%

More asset acquisition:

Existing car parks

52%

Little Hemphay 36%

Review working quarry opposite Beer Quarry Caves

67%

Underground utility cabling and appropriate street lighting to reduce light pollution

68%

Question 10: Beer Village Design Statement was produced in 2006. Is there anything that you feel is not relevant or anything you would like included?

- 2. VDS ignored by EDDC. Need more rigorous approach to planning speculation.
- 4. S106 assurance now compromised.
- 22. More housing.
- 29. Ensure that EDDC follows VDS recommendations.
- 30. Toilets on beach.
- 32. Park Road needs sleeping policeman and Long Hill.
- 35. Houses in Park Road would increase the risk of fatalities and cause major flooding down Park Lane and Clapps Lane. View from Beer to Beer head is considered a village amenity.
- 48. Brilliant statement and support it.
- 53. Facilities for teenagers. Better development and access to the bike area by Ashill.
- 54. Lower cemetery grass cutting should be increased to at least 8 cuttings per year.
- 62. Beer is big enough. The use of green field sites should not be used and our precious countryside preserved.
- 63. Will anyone take any notice or as usual EDDC do what they think.
- 65. Stop advertising boards strewn across the brook makes Beer look tacky.
- 69. Lower speed limits/traffic calming measures.
- 70. Good work has been done. Strong preference for timber frame buildings.
- 71. That EDDC listen to the wishes of the Parish Council and do not over rule their decisions especially where planning matters are concerned.
- 77. No more second homes.
- 83. Unfortunately I feel this document despite the wishes of the locals will never be truly listened to as EDDC and DCC over rule everything anyway.
- 85. All still relevant especially 5/5.1/5.2/5.3. If 40 new homes must be built consider Quarry Lane. It would not encroach upon Branscombe or the skyline, access is good, disturbance to the village residents minimal. Opportunity to build an attractive entrance to the village. It will happen one day why not now?
- 96. Pedestrian road safety needs to be reviewed and traffic flow through the village needs to be managed more effectively. New housing should be owner occupied or owned by community and not profit private landlord. Design of new houses should be agreed in consultation with community.