

Stonehouse NDP - Key points from consultations to date

Aspect	Key message	Ref*
Things people value about Stonehouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thriving • Small town • Good range of shops plus post office • Good schools • Good access - walking, cycling • Excellent train links (station) and good bus links • Motorway access • Access to surrounding countryside plus green spaces and canal • Friendly/good community spirit 	B1 Q1, Q3
Housing mix	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A mix of housing required. • Need to provide for (older) people to be able to downsize to smaller home/bungalow/disability access/sheltered housing/nursing home • Affordable housing/smaller units required for young people and families 	C1, C2 P2
New housing – possible location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elm Road (mixed response - some wish for housing; others for community use) • Standish Hospital • Berryfield Sports Field 	C3 (also B2) P1
Housing - other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to do 'something' about Elm Road Youth Centre/Church Hall • No more development; retain green spaces • High quality • Provide foot/cycle/transport connections and consider traffic congestion • Improve infrastructure/facilities to support new housing 	C3, C4, B1, B2 Q5 P1, P5
Public transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train station and availability of trains greatly valued – retain station (improve facilities and parking) • Reopen Bristol line station • Desire for later and more frequent buses 	G1 to G4 (also C4, D1, D3) Q1, Q3, Q4, Q5 P4
Getting around	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed responses to shared space scheme and speed bumps but desire to control traffic volume and speed • Parking issues in town centre e.g. cars parking on pavements • Flat land lends itself well to walking and cycling. Foot and cycle paths into town (to access services) and out of Stonehouse valued, and there is a desire for improvements to this infrastructure 	G1, G2, G3, Q1, Q2, Q4, Q5 P4
Town Centre (retail)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appreciation of mix of shops including independent shops, as well as post office and banks. • Mixed response to charity shops and cafes/takeaways (some use them while others feel there are too many) • More/better pubs and restaurants required. 	F1, F2, F4 Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 P3
Community facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirement for more community facilities e.g. meeting space with good parking and a youth centre; Elm Road mentioned as possible location • Swimming pool and youth facilities plus green gym and tennis court; Oldends Lane mentioned as a possible location • Library (keep/improve/relocate) 	H3, H4, B2, E3, E4 Q4, Q5 P1, P5, P6
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage and support small businesses • Links with local schools/apprenticeships • Improve transport infrastructure to get to jobs e.g. improve cycle/walkways • Easy in easy out units • Capitalise on the canal (and Ship Inn site) 	D1-D4 P2
Green spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surrounding countryside valued (easy access, views, walking) • Doverow Hill (views and dog walking) • Retain green spaces in the heart of Stonehouse e.g. Laburnum and Berryfields • Canal • Parks • Allotments 	E1 Q1, Q3, Q4 P6

* A-G refs from comment forms; Q refs from survey 1; P refs from post-it notes