

Stroud District Local Plan Early Engagement



Workshop report: South Cluster Group

The Sub Rooms, Stroud, 28th July 2026

Introduction to the workshop programme

Stroud District Council commenced work on its new Local Plan in June 2026 and is aiming to meet the Government's 'Gateway 1' target by 31st October. At the very beginning of the plan-making process, the Government asks local authorities to carry out some early scoping consultation. This is a first step which gives residents, businesses, community groups, landowners, and statutory bodies an opportunity to shape the priorities, issues and vision for the plan, before any strategy options or sites are looked at. Feedback from this stage is used to build a community engagement strategy and to inform subsequent drafts, visions, and spatial strategies.

This report presents the findings of the "South Cluster Workshop" - one of a series of area-based and thematic early engagement workshops, convened by Stroud District Council's Local Plans team and led by Resources for Change (R4C), to support the Council's new Local Plan Review. The workshops sought to gather vital local knowledge and insights from community leaders and stakeholders, with a view to identifying at an early stage the key issues and opportunities for future development in Stroud District. A central objective for the workshop programme was to build relationships between council officers, elected members, communities and other stakeholders at the outset of the plan-making process.

The workshops were targeted to key stakeholders and elected representatives; they were not open to the general public. These workshops formed one part of a wider public engagement and Early Scoping Consultation period during summer 2026.

Important note:

It was made clear to all workshop attendees that participants would not be held to any of the views they might express on the day. All exercises and activities were designed to encourage critical thought and two-way open discussion. Participants were invited to take time to reflect on any insights gained or concerns raised through the workshop process and were encouraged to also provide a separate formal response to the Early Scoping Consultation. Council officers were comfortable that formal responses submitted either before or after the workshops might differ from outputs generated during the workshop itself.

The South Cluster workshop

The **South cluster workshop** was one of three area-specific workshops, focusing principally on the south of the district (the parishes located around **Dursley, Cam, Berkeley and Wotton-under-Edge**).

Representatives of town and parish councils in this 'cluster' area were invited, as well as the elected members of Stroud District Council and Gloucestershire County Council that represent communities in this part of the district (see table below).



Figure 1: 'Parish clusters' in Stroud district

Invitees:

Berkeley parishes	Berkeley wards (SDC)	County Divisions (GCC)
Alkington Berkeley Ham and Stone Hamfallow Hinton Slimbridge	Berkeley Vale	Cam Valley Dursley
Cam & Dursley parishes	Cam & Dursley wards (SDC)	County Divisions (GCC)
Cam Coaley Dursley Nympsfield Olwpen Stinchcombe Uley	Cam East Cam West Coaley & Uley Dursley Wotton-under-Edge (part)	Cam Valley Dursley
Wotton parishes	Wotton wards (SDC)	County Divisions (GCC)
Alderley Hillesley & Tresham Kingswood North Nibley Wotton-under-Edge	Wotton-under-Edge (part) Kingswood	Wotton-under-Edge

An attendance list for this session is included at the end of this report (and appended to the main Summary Report).

Introduction to this report: purpose and content

There are three main audiences for this report:

1. The participants who attended the workshop, providing them with a record of the outputs and to support their ongoing engagement with the development of the Stroud District Local Plan. The presentation on the new Local Plan has been previously shared but is also included as an annexe to this report.
2. Officers and members of Stroud District Council, principally the Local Plans Team, providing them with a summary of key outputs to help steer their future work in developing a vision, objectives and strategy options for the emerging Local Plan.
3. The wider public, stakeholders, partners and the Planning Inspectorate. This report will be published at Gateway 1, to help evidence that the council has undertaken early engagement activities and scoping consultation, in accordance with Government guidance.

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Report content and workshop structure

This report provides a summary of the participative sessions that produced:

- Activity 1: Taking the temperature – participants completed post it notes with:
 - What do you like and value about the District of Stroud?
 - What would you like to see change?
 - What would you not like to see change / lose?
- Activity 2: A visioning word cloud exercise (online and on paper)
- Activity 3: A series of SWOT analyses for four growth scenarios
 - Proportionally dispersed growth (spreading development equitably between all towns and villages across the district)
 - Main settlements focus (focussing development in and around towns and the larger villages)
 - Infrastructure-led growth (linking development to where infrastructure providers consider most sustainable to be improved)
 - Strategic growth locations (planning larger new developments or extensions such as garden villages)
- Activity 4: Spatial / geographical overview activity – taking a birds eye view of the district and your area to identify opportunities to tackle “issues” and capture “ideas” for the future under five categories:

- Housing (yellow)
- Environment (green)
- Transport (purple)
- Community and well-being (red)
- Employment and education (blue)
- Activity 5: Locations for new homes – group activity to identify where new homes could be best situated to meet the district’s projected new housing target of 12,000 homes over a 15 year period (based on a current requirement of 846 dwelling per year. This activity was carried out either by cluster group and at a district level
- Next steps – how to stay involved

Transcript report

Activity 1: Taking the temperature

A post-it note activity. Participants were asked to think about three things: what do you like and value about Stroud district (and particularly this part of the district)? what would you like to see change over the next 10-15 years? and what would you like to keep the same / not change? They were then invited to write their initial ideas down to test the “temperature in the room” or what is hot or not in Stroud District in the present. These were personal and individual responses, not shaped by group discussion. Facilitators grouped the post-it comments thematically on a display board.

Q: What do you like and value about the district of Stroud?

Theme	Liked / Valued Feature
Housing and Planning	Rural sprawl with historic / market towns of value. Diverse character across the district - heritage / landscape. Focus on affordable. Current local government structure.
Environment	It's the countryside. Rural. Not urban. Severn area - Berkeley / Sharpness. Green spaces, open spaces, views i.e. rural setting. Severn Estuary + River Corridor. Rurality, farms, woods, PROW, heritage, unique independence of market town, green open spaces, wildlife. Like: The rural setting, open views. Landscape, history / wealth of GAs and heritage buildings. Natural environment. Landscape. Landscape, nature, community facilities. Landscape and character of different areas, access to countryside. History, conservation, open spaces, rural areas. Glorious countryside, historical buildings, history. Rural country settings. I really like the heritage of the area, and unique character. Rural aspect. I love the rural landscape, open spaces + community spirit. Its rural character.
Community and Health	Sense of community / geography / landscape. Lots of community groups. Rural community, access to railway (Cam & Dursley).

Table 1: Liked & Valued Features Sorted by Theme

Q: What would you like to see change?

Theme	Requested Change
Housing and Planning	New life & rejuvenation if market towns that are struggling. Change county wide structure plan. Infrastructure before development! Infrastructure to take note of knock-on effects of development (roads, public transport, doctor/dentist/schooling etc.). Urban sprawl. Lack of doctors, dentists, schools. The creation of more council houses + less

	shared ownership so the figure overall is easier to reach with less development. Better design and integration of new developments consistent with the local character. Lots of areas in Stroud that need clearing & building on. Improve District / Parish relationship or rather coordination.
Environment	Active travel infrastructure. Renewable energy. Climate adaptation & higher quality buildings. More public open spaces. More public transport.
Community and Health	More things for the youth to do. Stop wasting money on non-essentials. Better road infrastructure. More access to health services.
Education and Employment	Information to local settlements in terms of stats. Economic.
Transport	Public transport connections. Highway infrastructure. Public transport needs to improve. Public transport infrastructure. Better access to facilities - more regular transport. Facilities to accommodate increasing numbers i.e. dentist, doctors etc. Better transport. Better transport and connectivity.

Table 2: Requested Changes Sorted by Theme

Q: What would you not like to see change / lose?

Theme	Item Not to Lose / No Change
Housing and Planning	Identify as rural villages & market towns = need to be retained. Maintain individual character of each place. Keep character of villages and market towns. Settlement boundary, priority towns. Don't create co-joined villages. Keep Parish identity (not join with Council). Not to develop Berkeley / Sharpness area greatly. Protected countryside. The rural nature, countryside. No houses in rural areas. No development on greenfield sites. Homes that will need retrofitting to meet 2030 net zero targets. Development which changes the character of the district. High resource data centres. Stable planning team.
Environment	Rural character. The rural character. Not want changed: Areas of AONB. Landscape / access to nature. Open green space, PROWs + rural landscape. Maintain access to the countryside. The wonderful freedom of public footpaths and land use. Villages, farms, woods, wildlife, PROW, heritage, communities, green spaces. Unique independence of rural towns.
Community and Health	Distinctive identities and sense of community in different parts of the district. I don't want to see the district character change.

Table 3: Items Not to Lose/Change Sorted by Theme

Activity 2: Visioning word cloud exercise (online and on paper)

Participants were invited to write key words or short phrases to describe Stroud District in 2040 (the approximate life of the new plan). The larger the words appear in the “word cloud” the more frequently they were written.

Here are the Mentimeter results for the South cluster workshop:

Mentimeter

Stroud District in 2040 will be ...



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Figure 2: ‘Mentimeter’ word-cloud generated at the South cluster workshop.

It is interesting to note that of all the workshops, this one had more negative visions – “sprawl”, “depleted”, “too many cars” (although still a minority) Dothan the others. A combined word cloud has been created from all of the workshops, which is included in the Main workshops report.

Activity 3: A series of SWOT analyses for four growth scenarios

At their tables, each group was asked to contribute their ideas or concerns to a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) analysis written onto a flip chart sheet which were recorded by a facilitator at each table.

Scenario A: Proportionally dispersed growth

Spreading development equitably between all towns and villages across the District.

Strengths	Weaknesses
Fair - share the pain	Areas reaching capacity
Local engagement / decision making - opportunity for local consultation / expertise / listening	Defining settlement boundaries
Houses for local people	Would be large numbers for existing larger communities
More equal distribution of new development	Some areas do not have capacity or appropriate land.
Inject new life into existing communities	Expensive infrastructure
Opportunities for infill	Collection of developer contributions not large enough
Support existing businesses / schools	Lack of new infrastructure in communities in larger villages
Houses to support community - houses for local people	Protected areas / AONB.
Join existing communities cohesive integration	Expensive cost of land.
Listen to existing communities when developing plans	Deliverability
	Pressure on existing infrastructure
	May not provide houses where people want or need to live
	Pressure on planning department as many new developments
	Lack of public transport / active travel opportunities
	Pressure on existing road network

Table 4: Proportionally dispersed growth - strengths and weaknesses

Opportunities	Threats
Larger communities would get more share + new infrastructure	Lack of co-ordinated approach to climate change - not viable for smaller developers
Rejuvenation of some communities	Lack of green space
Support for Community Land Trusts - houses for local people	Ineffective planning / enforcement of new infrastructure.
Support to listen to housing needs for community	Infrastructure not added in time
Smaller developers	New development may not join cohesive village - threat to feeling of inclusion
Stronger working together	Feeling of commuter communities
Rural exception sites for agricultural workers	Not all places have equal priorities / all individual communities
Improve existing infrastructure, add new infrastructure - schools / early years	Lack of financial contributions for existing / new infrastructure.
Affordable self-build	Strategic Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) needs to stay in community
Business diversification	
New infrastructure evenly spread	
Needs strong planning enforcement	
Consideration for more public transport	

Table 5: Proportionally dispersed growth - opportunities and threats

Scenario B: Main settlements focus

Focussing development in and around towns and the larger villages.

The group suggested these were: Stroud, Stonehouse, Dursley, Cam, Wotton, Berkeley, Minchinhampton, Nailsworth, Painswick, Hardwicke, Huntsgrove, Great Oldbury, Eastington

Strengths	Weaknesses
Working with Integrated Care Board is helping to create health infrastructure	Cam has already had a lot of new homes
Are talking to developers (disagree) - we would welcome this	Cam doesn't even have a Costa

Strengths	Weaknesses
Concentrate on the main settlements	Lack of village centre - no overall plan for the area / masterplanning
Neighbourhood centres with a sense of identity (opportunity)	Developers can put in plans without infrastructure
Separate identities of existing settlements	Market towns are constrained
If you get another 4-500 homes it increases revenue to settlements from council tax	Developers hold all of the cards
	Infrastructure promised doesn't happen
	Someone needs to be accountable for delivering the infrastructure
	Each village needs some development / transport from centres
	Focuses all facilities in main settlements
	Coalescence - joining up settlements
	Brownfield land isn't always available & expensive to develop
	Brownfield land can be flood prone, biodiverse
	Overloading existing infrastructure – under-planning for necessary infrastructure
	Lack of transport / active travel
	We don't look at things holistically
	Constrained by topography
	Access to town centres is poor & so people go to the edges - i.e. supermarkets
	We aren't cities

Table 6: Main settlements focus - strengths and weaknesses

Opportunities	Threats
Good infrastructure & facilities	If we don't do proper strategic planning we'll be creating problems for the future

Opportunities	Threats
Takes pressure off villages	New extensions don't integrate with existing settlements
To use more brownfield sites & regenerate these	Losing infrastructure through change of use of employment land / switch to housing
Support for existing services & facilities	Can overwhelm the character of the settlement
Reducing isolation - more facilities & existing community to join & contribute	Can impact on smaller villages - affordable housing, shops, schools etc.
Bring more infrastructure resources to existing settlements	Others can feel left out
High St. grants (vitality) through parish / town councils	Trust & capacity of planning authority
Preserve the historical hierarchy	Is there any where left to build - physical constraints
Plan for it rather than rely on developers	Can ruin existing settlements
Stroud has brownfield land	It's already committed or built out
Chance to change to a more holistic approach - particularly for transport	The developers are given more of the initiative / free rein
Hubs for smaller villages to go to - improve these	Urban sprawl
Local govt reorganisation may give more weight to enforcing planning conditions	Disregarding settlement boundaries
Create centres for employment	

Table 7: Main settlements focus - opportunities and threats

Scenario C: Infrastructure-led growth

Linking development to where infrastructure providers consider most sustainable to can be improved

Strengths	Weaknesses
Sounds like a good idea	Interpretation of who it is accessible to

Strengths	Weaknesses
Only build where there is infrastructure (Dr's, schools) needs to continue to develop	Market towns constrained so goes into nearest village where infrastructure in place
Might actually get infrastructure	Still needs to continue to grow to serve bigger populations
More holistic view - at present everything taken in isolation	Infrastructure providers not set up to look proactively to the future
Protect existing infrastructure (schools, shops)	Loss of community voice if we just determine on basis of technical evidence for experts
Bus services - joined up, more, better	Getting engagement early enough with infrastructure providers
If infrastructure including workplaces were in place this would be a good option	Need more [planning] enforcement officers
Would prevent issues in the future — future proof developments	Goalposts change because planning allow it
Could / should bring new infrastructure	Don't know what we need until we need it
	Infrastructure around housing not put in early enough

Table 8: Infrastructure-led growth - strengths and weaknesses

Opportunities	Threats
Infrastructure has never led growth	Preserving agricultural area
Way of master planning?	Planning process failure for strategic development - doesn't work
Rebalance existing infrastructure	Schools / Dr's full capacity
To provide Dr's, schools - need to be provided before homes built	Need more 'teeth' on conditions - need to use them
Better infrastructure e.g. Dr's, public transport, schools	Need to make it happen
LGR opportunity to join up services	Land banking of planning permissions
Strengthen Parish level, give better voice to the authorities	Education authority not doing what it should - it is not allowed to do what it should

Opportunities	Threats
Secure new infrastructure	Institutional structure behind delivery of infrastructure not joined up
Infrastructure HAS LED growth - new station near our boundary provides catalyst for growth	Management companies need to be held to account - residents getting double taxation - Council Tax, Management Company
Link into infrastructure plans - local transport plan, spatial development strategy, new combined authorities, strategic authorities	If there isn't employment near hand you have to travel, you will shop near your workplace
Better co-ordinated infrastructure - getting everyone together in advance: police, highways, utilities, education, health	Non-adoption of highways due to disputes with utilities
Think about what is needed for future populations with infrastructure providers	Capacity + capability of officers (overstretched, lack of resources and recordings)
More opportunity to raise what our housing need is	LGR (local government reorganisation)
Blue / green infrastructure	Who is accountable for contributions?
More public consultation @ outline / PP application - PP introducing new workspaces - as good gets agreement from public	Lack of joining up between departments
Bringing employment into the area	Who enforces the planning conditions?
Put infrastructure in first including workspaces	All infrastructure providers private business focused on profit
Convert / redevelop what is there that is not currently for housing	Housing requirement isn't big enough to get large infrastructure input

Table 9: Infrastructure-led growth - opportunities and threats

Scenario D: Strategic growth locations

Planning larger new developments or extensions such as garden villages

Strengths	Weaknesses
Not much - is there the land? ✓	Land - site / connection scale.

Infrastructure prebuild ✓	Access to site for construction
No impact on existing settlements	Planning control enforcement
New schools / GPs.	Jobs? Timetable
Option for community control	Public transport cuts
Masterplan opportunity - mix communities control.	Road + transport links
Land use constraints	Impact on flood risk (Berkeley roads flood).
Density. Bungalows	Capacity to build timeframe 2x 6000 home settlement.
District heating scheme	Cross border movement
Car share //	Loss of CIL to local settlements.
	Not big enough

Table 10: Strategic growth locations - strengths and weaknesses

Opportunities	Threats
In keeping with area	Traffic - knock on effects neighbouring settlement
Blocks, 4 storey such as old mills	Flooding - sea level rise
Economy of scale (Didcot)	Developers wriggle out of obligations and go bust
Tidal barrier, Severn	No new homes in existing settlements?
Council houses (insist)	Food security if farmland built on?
New employment sites	Isolation → utopian dystopia
Good green space	Won't be self sufficient
Public vote	"Double taxation" - management fee (Box Road Cam) to company + Council Tax
Design codes operation	(Loss of identity)
Active travel → public transport "Charfield station eg"	
Land assembly - local authority takes on (medieval law)	
Build over the border?	

Table 11: Strategic growth locations - opportunities and threats

Activity 4: Issues and ideas (map based)

A spatial / geographical overview activity.

Participants were invited to take a birds eye view of the district and their area and place “issues” and “ideas” flags on maps. Each flag was recorded by frequency and location. The full set of results from this workshop are in the Annexe Activity 4 Issues and ideas. They have been sorted by theme in alphabetical order.

These were the most frequently recurring issues and ideas at the South cluster workshop:

Top Recurring Issues & Ideas

Theme	Location	Issue / Idea	Frequency
Environment	Dursley	Need to protect historic / unique character	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Improve train station	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Pedal & park site	2
Transport	Wotton - Charfield	Greenway please	2
Transport	Charfield	Improve bus routes to this location	2
Housing	Dursley	Need for social housing	2
Housing	Cam Long Down	Cam potential rural housing exception site	2

Table 12: Top Recurring Issues & Ideas Table 13: Strategic growth locations - opportunities and threats

Location-Specific Entries with Higher Frequency Counts

Here are the location-specific entries from the sheets sorted by theme, including all items with a frequency count of 2 or more:

Theme	Location	Issue / Idea	Frequency
Environment	Dursley	Need to protect historic / unique character	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Improve train station	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Pedal & park site	2
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Housing	Dursley	Need for social housing	2
Housing	Cam Long Down	Cam potential rural housing exception site	2

Table 14: Location-Specific Entries with Higher Frequency Counts

Activity 5: Locations for new homes

Group activity encouraged participants to consider the challenge of delivering 12,000 homes in a district that is constrained by both geographical factors and national policy requirements. This exercise was carried out using large maps and involved participants discussing and placing purple tokens (representing 1000 homes) or yellow/red tokens (representing 50 homes) in locations where they felt there was potential for growth and development. Tokens could be stacked to create larger developments.

This activity was not designed to be 'easy' or even 'achievable'. The purpose of the exercise was to get participants thinking and talking about factors that shape a development strategy, to listen to other participants' perspectives and consider broad impacts, not just local issues.

So while the numerical and locational data is interesting, the most significant outputs were the discussion points that cropped up.

District wide: thinking strategically

Participants were presented with a map of the whole district and 12 tiddly-wink tokens, each of which represented 1,000 homes. They were asked to consider how they might distribute those 12,000 homes across the whole district:

Location	Numbers	Parish cluster	
Standish	1000	Stonehouse	North cluster
Standish (Little Haresfield)	1000	Stonehouse	North cluster
M5 J12	1000	Gloucester's fringe	North cluster
Hunts Grove	1000	Gloucester's fringe	North cluster
Haresfield (East of Parkend)	1000	Gloucester's fringe	North cluster
Moreton Valence	1000	Severn vale	North cluster
East of Whitminster	1000	Severn vale	North cluster
Total	7,000		

Table 15 Whole district housing location suggestions

Participants at this workshop placed 7 tokens (representing up to 7,000 homes) at 7 locations, all of which are in the north of the district. This group did not identify any potential major growth locations in the south (their cluster) or the east.

Southern cluster: in our own backyard

Participants were also asked to consider the distribution of smaller developments / housing growth on a more local basis (focusing more specifically on the south of the district), thinking about opportunities, needs and constraints in and around their communities, participants suggested that the following locations may have development potential.

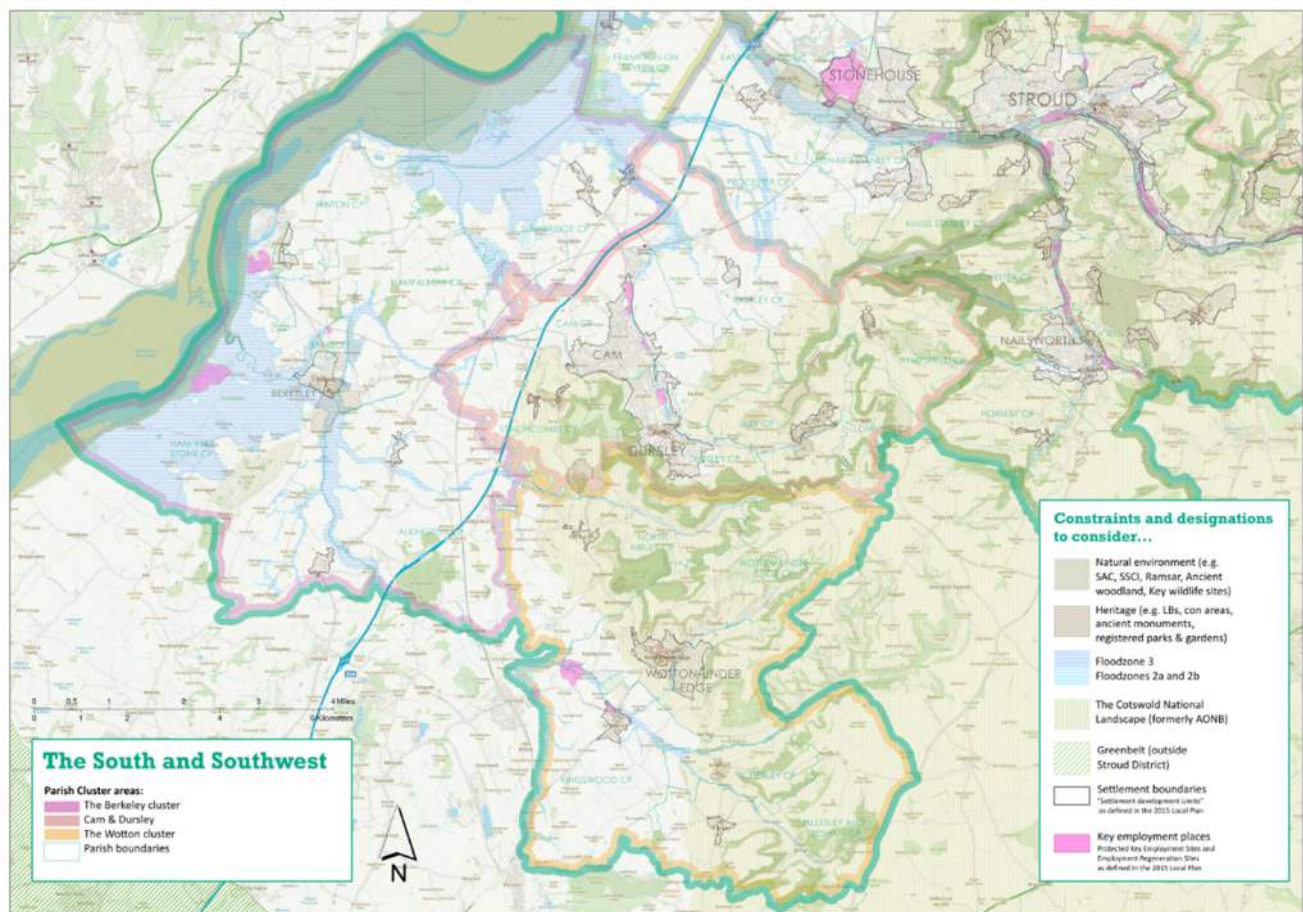


Figure 3: This activity focused more specifically on the south of the district.

Participants also had access to tokens that represented smaller developments of 50 dwellings. Again, tokens could be stacked to create larger developments. Participants were not given any overall minimum or maximum target for this task, but an approximate equal 'share' of the overall 12,000 target would be around 4,000 new homes. (counters up to the total value of 12,000 were available).

Although the task was centred on the parishes lying within this southern cluster group, parishes outside the southern cluster were also visible on the map that was used. The south workshop participants suggested that the following locations may have development potential:

Location	Numbers	Parish cluster	
West of Kingswood	50	Wotton	South cluster
Newport	250	Berkeley	South cluster
Wanswell (nr Berkeley)	250	Berkeley	South cluster
Ebley	50	Stroud valleys	East cluster
Randwick	200	Stroud valleys	East cluster
West of Stonehouse	50	Stonehouse	North cluster
North of Stonehouse	50	Stonehouse	North cluster
Total	900		

Table 16: Southern cluster group housing location suggestions

This includes 550 at three locations within the parishes of the south cluster; and 350 at Ebley, Randwick and Stonehouse, which are all locations outside the south cluster area.

Summary of the discussion

The group discussed specific issues including flood prevention, public transport improvements, protection of green spaces, youth facilities, and conservation of heritage assets. Participants expressed difficulty in making decisions about large-scale housing developments due to infrastructure constraints and local opposition, with some areas showing reluctance to accept any new housing while others were more willing to accommodate development with appropriate facilities and protections. The discussion highlighted the challenge of balancing housing needs with community preferences and infrastructure capabilities across the district.

Key proposals included wind generation, council housing in Dursley, flood prevention measures in the Berkeley area, public transport improvements, and protection of natural spaces for youth activities and nature conservation. Participants also discussed concerns about development impacts, including the need for strategic gaps to prevent settlement coalescence and the importance of protecting heritage assets and small businesses.

The group discussed distributing 50-home allocations across different communities, with some areas like Stroud proposing 350 homes and with specific mentions of Standish (1,000 homes) and other areas around the A38. The discussion revealed that while progress had been made toward the 12,000-home target, significant gaps remained, and there were concerns about the lack of a local plan, which could affect government allocations.

The group discussed planning constraints and housing development, with the Planning Policy Manager explaining that while approximately 400-500 houses are built per year (442

in 2025/6), the government requires demonstrating deliverability across a 10-15 year plan period. He noted that local government reorganization will affect the planning process, but suggested the current plan will likely be adopted before the new authority begins in 2030, ensuring a five-year housing supply. When asked about sharing housing numbers with neighbouring areas like Gloucester and South Gloucestershire, it was explained that cross-boundary collaboration is unlikely as each area wants to retain control over their own housing numbers.

They concluded the workshop session by emphasising the importance of community engagement and collaboration with parish and town councils. Parish and town councils were encouraged to provide feedback on desired facilities and development mix rather than focusing solely on numbers. Concerns were expressed about consultation deadlines. It was explained that while some flexibility might be possible for individual representations, the overall government-mandated timeline remains strict, with initial submissions due by October 31st. The discussion highlighted challenges in engaging small councils and achieving high response rates, and that the current response of over 250 submissions was on the low side but was expected to reach 800-900 by the end of the consultation period.

Appendix

Activity 4 – Issues and ideas: full results

Participants were invited to take a birds eye view of the district and their area and place “issues” and “ideas” flags on maps. Each flag was recorded by frequency and location.

Table 17: Issues and ideas - all

Theme	Location (briefly describe)	Issue / idea (summarise)	Frequency
Community	Nympsfield	More facilities for young people needed here	1
Community	Cam	More facilities for older people	1
Community	West of Cam	Good location for community theatre	1
Community	North Cam	Opportunity for new cemetery	1
Community	North Cam	Good location for integrated medical site	1
Community	Land West of Cam	More facilities for young people here	1
Community	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for greater police presence here	1
Community	Cam & Dursley	Opportunity to create dementia friendly space here	1
Community	Wotton-under-Edge	More play facilities for older children	1
Community	Wotton-under-Edge	Steepness makes walking & cycling difficult here	1
Community	South Kingswood	Greater police presence	1
Community	South of Kingswood	More facilities for young people here	1

Theme	Location (briefly describe)	Issue / idea (summarise)	Frequency
Community	South of Wotton-under-Edge	Need to extend existing GP facilities here	1
Community	Sharpness	Isolation big issue here	1
Community	Berkeley	Greater police presence needed	1
Community	Coaley	Antisocial behaviour is a big issue here	1
Education & employment	Land West of Cam	Primary schools need extending	1
Education & employment	Slimbridge	Second homes big issue here	1
Education & employment	Box	Too many takeaways / fast food outlets here	1
Education & employment	Land West of Stonehouse	Need for new secondary school here	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for affordable workspace here	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Encourage creative industries here	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for investment – small business / market town	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Secondary schools need extending	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Empty shops issue here	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for small scale industrial units here	1
Education & employment	Dursley	Sad face (unspecified issue)	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Opportunity for tourism development	1

Theme	Location (briefly describe)	Issue / idea (summarise)	Frequency
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for youth services (holistic 5–18 yr olds)	1
Education & employment	Kingswood	Loss / decline of village services	1
Education & employment	Kingswood	Need for more early years places	1
Education & employment	Berkeley	Empty shops issue here	1
Education & employment	Berkeley	Empty shops issue here	1
Education & employment	Berkeley	Poor mobile coverage / digital connectivity	1
Education & employment	Ham	Opportunity for tourism development	1
Education & employment	Ham	Need to encourage more variety of retail uses	1
Education & employment	Cam Station	Young people employment	1
Education & employment	South of Cam Station	Large industrial units	2
Education & employment	Cam	Multi-use youth centre	1
Education & employment	Cam	Supermarket	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Poor mobile coverage / digital connectivity	1
Education & employment	Wotton-under-Edge	Young people need more employment opportunities	1
Environment	South of Nympsfield	Open land should be safeguarded to stop towns merging	1
Environment	Nympsfield	Important strategic green space	1

Theme	Location (briefly describe)	Issue / idea (summarise)	Frequency
Environment	Between Cam & Dursley	Open land safeguarded to stop merging	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Flooding here	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Important site for nature conservation	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Solar farms a threat here	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for more allotments	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to protect historic & unique character	2
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to improve play areas here	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Important site for nature conservation	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Important strategic green space	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Opportunity to create a community orchard	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Important heritage asset there	1
Environment	East of Wotton-under-Edge	Land should be preserved to stop towns merging	1
Environment	Land between Charfield & Kingswood	Green land safeguarded to stop towns merging	1
Environment	Kingswood	Need to improve public access to open land	1
Environment	Kingswood	Important heritage asset here	1
Environment	Hillesley	Need to protect unique historic character	1

Theme	Location (briefly describe)	Issue / idea (summarise)	Frequency
Environment	Sharpness (Pan Tourist Farm)	Solar farms / wind farms due to grid connection	1
Environment	Berkeley	Flooding issue here	1
Environment	Berkeley	Need to protect historic & unique character	1
Environment	Berkeley	National flood risk control before new houses	1
Environment	Cam	New strategic park	2
Environment	Cam	Skate / BMX park	1
Environment	Between Wotton & Kingswood	Flooding is an issue here	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Important strategic green space	1
Environment	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to protect this area's historic & unique character	1
Environment	North of Wotton-under-Edge	Good location for wind energy	1
Environment	West of North Nibley	Good location for a community event / festival	1
Environment	West of Berkeley	Major flooding area / flood risk management scheme	1
Environment	Brimscombe	Air quality is an issue here	1
Environment	West of Junction 13 M5	Opportunity to create a new sport / leisure facility	1
Environment	Lower Lodge Wood (Little Avon)	Wetland flood management scheme	1
Environment	Uley, Shadwell	More play facilities for older children / young adults	1

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Environment	Uley	Opportunity to create a community orchard	1
Environment	Uley	Need to protect this area's historic / unique character	1
Environment	Between Uley & Owlpen	Water harvesting / addressing flooding / new reservoir	1
Environment	South of Owlpen	Important site for nature conservation	1
Environment	Between Dursley & Downham Hill	Open land should be safeguarded to stop towns merging	1
Environment	Between Cam & Stinchcombe	Open land should be safeguarded to stop towns merging	1
Environment	East of Dursley	Air quality is an issue here	1
Environment	North of Westfield Brake (Berkeley)	Opportunity for a new forest	1
Housing	Nymphsfield	Potential site for gypsy / traveller site here	1
Housing	Between Cam & Dursley	More housing for older people	1
Housing	Cam	Need for more housing for older people	1
Housing	West of Cam	Need for new supermarket here	1
Housing	Sharpness	Need for more family housing	1
Housing	Ebley	High need for affordable housing	1
Housing	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for social housing	1
Housing	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for more housing for older people	1

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Housing	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for more housing for older people	1
Housing	Wotton-under-Edge	Need for starter homes	1
Housing	Cam	Need for social housing	2
Housing	Cam	Need for single / couple housing for all ages	1
Housing	Cam	Potential rural housing exception site	2
Housing	Wotton-under-Edge	Rough sleeping issue here	1
Housing	Kingswood	Potential for lower density housing	1
Housing	Hillesley	Need for housing for older people	1
Housing	Cambridge	Live/work units	1
Housing	Cam	Good location for a waterside housing development	1
Housing	Stroud, East of Highfield	Opportunity for council house building here	1
Housing	South of Ebley	Good location for a waterside housing development	1
Housing	South of Standish	Opportunity for a large-scale urban extension	1
Housing	South of Stonehouse	Good location for a waterside housing development	1
Housing / Environment	South of Moreton Valence	Potential for a new garden village / town here	1
Transport	Nympsfield	Location for new BMX / skate park	1
Transport	Nympsfield	Need to improve bus routes	1

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Transport	A4135 Cam / Dursley railway line	Railway line & road makes walking / cycling difficult	1
Transport	Slimbridge (new grounds)	Need to improve bus routes to this location	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Car parking big issue here	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to improve bus routes	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	More charging facilities for electric vehicles	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Railway line & roads make it difficult to walk / cycle	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Car parking big issue here	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to improve cycle links	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to improve bridleways	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Need to improve bus routes	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	Opportunity to introduce electric cycle hire here	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	More charging facilities for electric vehicles	1
Transport	Kingswood	Congestion here	1
Transport	Kingswood	Car parking big issue	1
Transport	West of Kingswood	Need to improve bridleways	1
Transport	Kingswood	Roads dangerous & unsafe	1

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Transport	Land between Charfield & Kingswood	Need to improve cycle links here	1
Transport	Hillesley	Need to improve cycle links	1
Transport	Hillesley	Need to improve bus routes	1
Transport	Hillesley	More charging for electric vehicles needed	1
Transport	Hillesley	Need to improve walking links	1
Transport	Hillesley	Need to improve bridleways here	1
Transport	Land between Wotton & Kingswood (Wotton Road)	Need to improve cycle links here	1
Transport	B4066	Roads dangerous & unsafe	1
Transport	Land West of Berkeley	Need to improve bus routes here	1
Transport	Berkeley	Need to improve bus routes	1
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Improve train station	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Improve cycle links	1
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Pedal & park site	2
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Park & ride	1
Transport	Draycott (Cam)	Junction needs improving	1
Transport	Berkeley Bypass	Junction needs improving	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge to Charfield	Greenway please	2
Transport	Junction 14 M5	Address public transport issues to KLB & Kingswood before developing greenway	2
Transport	Charfield	Better cross-border liaison	1

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Transport	Kingswood	Improve bus routes to this location	1
Transport	Wotton-under-Edge	More charging facilities for electric vehicles	1
Transport	Uley, Shadwell	Car parking is a big issue here	1
Transport	Uley, Shadwell	Roads in this area are dangerous & unsafe	1
Transport	East of Dursley	Inappropriate for greenway – too dangerous	1

Attendees at this workshop

28th July: SOUTH workshop

(focus on the parishes located around Dursley, Cam, Wotton-Under-Edge, Berkeley and bordering the River Severn)

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Cllr Gareth Kitchen	Stroud District Council for Wotton-under-Edge Ward
Rich Halpin	Wotton-under-Edge Town Council
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John Rubin	Dursley Town Council
Loraine Patrick	Dursley Town Council
Justine Hopkins	Berkeley Town Council
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Rachel Brown	Stroud District Council (planning officer)
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Lucy Biddle	Cam Parish Council
Tina Walker	Cam Parish Council
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Stephen Lydon	Leonard Stanley Parish Council
Cllr Catherine Braun	Stroud District Council for- Wotton-under-Edge Ward
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