

**Brixton Parish Council's Response to Plymouth & South West Devon Local Plan Consultation Document**  
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Below is the response from Brixton Parish Council and Brixton Neighbourhood Plan Group to the above consultation document -

In Brixton Parish the Plymouth & South West Devon Local Plan Consultation Document identifies a potential Park and Ride site at Chittleburn Hill as part of the 'At Plymouth' boundary. A Park & Ride in this location could provide an improved transport link into Plymouth and could reduce the amount of traffic going into the city. It could help reduce the inevitable delays at Laira Bridge which can be expected to worsen with the onset of increased traffic from Sherford and the JLP proposed increase in villages and settlements in the SHDC which rely on Plymouth for services and employment. We assume that the park and ride would be used by in the main by commuters and residents living in Brixton and in the towns and villages along the A379. Equally the park and ride could serve people coming out from Plymouth who work at Otter Nursery, Rodgers Garage or Dodovens Farm who could be dropped off on the return bus journey.

It is unclear how big this site would be for park & ride and what its capacity would be. For a park and ride to succeed it will need to be well sited, suitably signed with easy and safe access - something which is currently difficult with the existing topography and road junctions. At the same time it needs to be well screened to reduce its visual impact and light pollution (which will be required for security particularly in the winter months). There needs to a coordinated approach in planning for capacity, access and the provision of public transport for this site with the proposed Park & Ride at Deep Lane End in the Sherford Development. For a Park and Ride to be fully effective at Chittleburn Hill improved and safe cycle and pedestrian links need to be in place between this site and Brixton Village and Elburton as a minimum requirement. To be effective, a more regular bus service is also needed from Plymouth City Centre and timetables will need to be dovetailed with existing bus services. If a Park & Ride was developed at Chittleburn Hill there should be no reduction of the current bus services to Totnes, Kingsbridge, Dartmouth and the villages in the hinterland around the River Yealm. We would welcome the opportunity to explore the modeling used and supporting data for the proposed P&R at Chittleburn Hill to ensure that the desired reduction in traffic volume on the A379 at Laira Bridge does not result in traffic from the Sherford development subsequently increasing traffic volume in Brixton.

There are omissions on the maps. The AONB needs to be identified on the maps for Wembury and Brixton.

It would also be helpful if the extent of the Sherford New Town had been superimposed on the land which defines the new town... a box shaped like a house with 'H' in it is quite misleading, given the extent of the land taken up by the new town. The top of the mid green shaded area to the south of the proposed Sherford development does not relate to the edge of the proposed settlement or the public park - this is misleading and inaccurate.

The house symbol for all areas marked throughout Plymouth does not indicate the actual extent of the proposed houses in these areas.

The proposed line indicating the boundary of the Plymouth Fringe is somewhat arbitrarily indicated where it passes through the south west of Brixton Parish between Staddiscombe and Spridlestone/Fordbrook. It would be helpful to have more definition on what this boundary is representing. The southern boundary of the darker green shading of the Fringe north of Brixton is also very arbitrary.

The grey boundary line does not appear to have any rationale where it crosses the eastern Sherford boundary and the mid green shading over the southern part of the Sherford development does not relate to the extent of the proposed public park - it overlaps into the proposed developed area and this is misleading.