

Public Consultation

The whole process of producing the TDS was built on the principle of involving the community. Over the period of its production the small group responsible for the writing and production has kept in touch with the District Council and the Town Council. Above all, at each stage the public at large has been invited to express their views in lots of different and new ways as to what's wrong with Dunmow but also and most important, how should things be managed in the future.

Over 1000 people have attended the events. All the comments that people have made have been captured and lots of photos have been taken. The big new idea was the Model of the Town which was created by the Dunmow Youth Group. This accurate scale model was, we think, a first and has proved enormously popular and useful. It is now available to help in whatever way in the future and is to be kept by the Town Council for the community's benefit.

The final version of the TDS has attempted to reflect all of the comments that were received. The consultation has been documented and the summary is attached as an Appendix 2. This will enable people to see easily how the TDS closely reflects the comments that were made.

The Funding Arrangements

This project would simply not have been possible without the support of the Great Dunmow Town Council in the first instance. They have continued this support, both practical as well as financial throughout and this has led to the group's success in attracting other funding from the Rural Community Council, the Countryside Agency (as was) and from the National Lottery. Added to this is the vast amount of voluntary time that a number of individuals have contributed.

Our aim is to set out design guidelines that support a high standard of design in new development that complements the character of the town and it's neighbourhoods.

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