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Dear Ian

I wish to comment on the Truro Eastern District Centre planning application as follows.

In January 2012, in my role as Cornwall Councillor for Probus Division, I carried out a residents' survey in the parish of Probus. A survey form was delivered or posted to every household in the parish, total number of forms distributed 980. The number of responses were: by post 163, by online Survey Monkey 24, total responses 187 = 19%.

Within the survey were questions about the proposed Truro Eastern District Centre planning application and about each element of the scheme. The responses showed a clear majority support for the park-and-ride and Cornish Food Hall (65% and 60% respectively) and smaller majority support for the household waste and housing (55% and 53% respectively). There was a small majority against the supermarket (53%) and, when asked whether respondents would support the total scheme on an all or nothing basis, there was also a majority against of 53%.

Broadly, across the whole issue this seems to indicate that public opinion is divided in Probus over the scheme with concerns over some elements slightly outweighing the support for other elements.

I acknowledge the concerns over issues such as the use of farmland for the project and opposition to further expansion of supermarkets. However, I think that the scheme will provide benefits to the residents of Probus Parish and to the other parishes in my division, i.e. Tregony, Grampound, St Michael Penkivel. I think that the park-and-ride in particular will benefit residents from my area as well as providing benefits to traffic flows within Truro itself. On balance, I think that those benefits outweigh the detriment that will be caused.

I attach a copy of the analysis of the questions and responses.

I hope that this is of help.

Best wishes

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PROBUS RESIDENTS' SURVEY JANUARY 2012

980 survey forms distributed to every household in the parish of Probus.

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Section 3: Truro Park-and-Ride

A major planning application was recently submitted to the Strategic Planning Committee for a park-and-ride to be built on the eastern outskirts of Truro together with various other facilities. The application was deferred for further work to be done on it. It will probably come back to the planning committee within a few months. What do you think about the various elements of the scheme?

3.1 **Parking** for 1200 cars with a regular bus service into the City and through to County Hall, Highertown, Treliske, Truro College and finishing at the western park-and-ride. Do you support this?

Yes No

RESULTS

Parking

Yes 117 (65%) No 62 (35%)

3.2 **Supermarket** on the site (Waitrose). Do you support this?

Yes No

3.3 **Cornish Food Hall** stocking produce from Cornish farmers. Do you support this?

Yes No

3.4 **Household waste and recycling centre** similar to the facilities currently at St Day and St Austell. Do you support this?

Yes No

3.5 **Housing**. 97 new homes of which 34 would be affordable (social rented and shared ownership). Do you support this?

Yes No

3.6 **Overall**. The applicants have said that an affordable park-and-ride scheme can only be provided if the whole scheme is built including the housing and supermarket. If you had to choose between the whole scheme as proposed or no scheme at all, would you support it?

Yes No

Comments, if any

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Supermarket

Yes 87 (47%) No 97 (53%)

Cornish Food Hall

Yes 109 (60%) No 72 (40%)

Household waste

Yes 99 (55%) No 81 (45%)

Housing

Yes 98 (53%) No 86 (47%)

Overall scheme (all or nothing)

Yes 85 (47%) No 97 (53%)