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## Environment Scrutiny Panel

### Design of Homes

Section 1: Public spaces, amenities and external perspectives

<p>What is the value of public squares and spaces in the town area?</p>	<p>There is a great need for open spaces in the town area. It is vital that people can leave their accommodation without having to go to a public house, restaurant or clubroom, somewhere that they can meet friends or even be able to sit and watch the world go by.</p> <p>These spaces are needed for children to be able to kick a ball about and enjoy the open air instead of becoming over weight through lack of exercise.</p>
<p>Comments on current amenity spaces including the use of water amenities.</p> <p>Is there sufficient use of landscaping?</p> <p>What would you like to see?</p> <p>What is being missed?</p> <p>Thoughts on what is needed in the future.</p>	<p><del>I believe that there is a great need for open space</del></p> <p>In all medium to large developments, this was achieved by the planning committees in developments like the one built on the old gocart track at Les Quennevais, Sydney <del>Crill Park</del> in St Clement and Le Grande Piece in St Peter. This need was recognised by the Committee when they refused permission to redevelop Grasset Park to a higher density.</p> <p>In some developments the car circulation and parking were kept away from the open space. This has many advantages.</p> <p>I went to look at the latest development between Les Pres and Samares Lane in St Clement, I was disappointed in that I could not find the open spaces that should have been provided.</p>

Section 1 continued

External Appearance.  
How should colour be used to contrast individual units?

Where should glass, stone, brick or other materials be used?

How should suitability and context of buildings be considered in relation to the streetscape and surrounding community?

Suitability and context of new developments considering surrounding properties.

I believe that where the units in an estate are similar, then they should not be all the same colour. Where an estate is built outside the town area then the buildings should be kept away from the roads with trees planted between the houses and the road. The new estate near St Clements Church is in my opinion far too close to the road  
I think that all the houses are too close to the road in this estate, because the road will be a main road

Other comments or observations within this section.

Section 2: In the Home Continued.

Internal design and layout / Room sizes / Density (habitable rooms per acre).

Experiences of room sizes, density of recent and future developments. Are they fit for purpose and contentment?

Comments on Bedrooms, Kitchens, Bathrooms, Stairwells, Living rooms and circulation areas.

How do the minimum sizes within the Planning Advice Notes effect living standards?

When I look at the size of the rooms in new developments then I feel that they are too small and I feel that we are trying to place too many houses per acre on each site. It would be better to build on an extra site than cause social problems through over development. I believe that if there were less houses per acre then the land owner would receive less for his site and the houses would be the same price.

Community shared facilities, laundry, gardening, cleaning.

Other comments or observations within this section.

Section 2: In the Home

How fit for purpose are modern garages?

What are the responses to hidden parking within developments?

How acceptable are current levels of storage?

What are the current issues regarding noise intrusion?

How do current insulation standards within recent island developments meet with requirements of the Jersey climate?

Section 3: The Island Perspective

What place is there in Jersey for modular construction, pre-fabricated units and timber frame properties.

Timber framed houses can be acceptable but not if it leads to all the houses on a site looking almost identical.

Comment on renovation and rehabilitation of older buildings making them suitable for purpose.

How does sympathetic regeneration sit with the use of solar panels and other environmentally friendly options?

Section 3 continued

What should the Island be doing with unused office buildings in St Helier to facilitate urban regeneration.

Zero Energy Development. Carbon Neutral living.

What steps should the Island take towards embracing energy efficiency and environmentally friendly design?

How do we overcome traditional values to achieve those ideals?

Section 3 continued

How usefull are models showing scale.

Many people have difficulty visualising how a development will look when they only have plans in front of them and therefore I believe that models should be prepared.

How would you define sustainability in relation to homes?

Section 3 continued

Other comments or observations within this section.

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