

Employment

Transport

1. Bear in mind the village attracts the elderly – infrastructure to suit.
2. Good public transport links should enable employment to be found outside the village.
3. Take account of the fact that there is minimal employment in Silverton. It is a commuter village. Public transport must be improved to avoid car congestion in the village. We must adopt greener lifestyles if our village is to be protected for future generations.
4. See comment Core 9 below (*Find Core 9 and match writing*). Affordable access to public transport to enable people to get to and from work.
5. There aren't any other employment opportunities other than pubs and shops. Bus routes need more service and subsidise it. Get cars off road.
6. Housing development in an area does not result in increased employment. Following the Wyndham Road area development, employment decreased as shops closed. People will have to drive to any employment along roads which are not suitable for any increase in traffic.

Anti businesses

1. Lots of houses. Parking already an issue at Spar. We do not want to change the rural village character of Silverton by adding shops or industry – Exeter is so close and Tiverton. A weekly farmer's market would be excellent though and craft at Millenium Hall and car park.
2. There is ample employment available for villagers. The introduction of a greater population will not create more jobs but will in fact make available local work much harder to secure for villagers.
3. Employment must be in place before new houses built. Light industry, etc.
4. Following the development of Wyndham Road and surrounds, shops closed! Employers also need good access to premises.

Local Employment

1. The jobs created – if any – should be of a type which should be offered to and taken up by the existing unemployed within the village.
2. Any employment opportunities should be offered to existing unemployed in the village first.

3. Local employment for son who does not drive.
4. If we had another shop it would create more employment.
5. Employment needs to be for local people.
6. Any new employment should be for local people.
7. Local employment would be great. No-one wants the village to be completely a commuter village.
8. Village is becoming no more than a place for commuters to live in. There is no longer a local source of employment or likely to be in the future.
9. Any development should use local workforce. Studio/workshop space for artists/trades people.
10. The village is a commuter village for Tiverton, Exeter or Cullompton. We have very little employment. Any additional will increase strain on amenities.
11. Employment must. Number of working people.
12. Café/drop in centre.
13. Commuter employment will remain the major employers of residents as they are the major employers in the area. E.g. service/education/retail in main centres.
14. Another shop. Need competition.
15. Internet industries/business.
16. Elderly people have been attracted here so employment should serve their needs. E.g. coffee shop/gift shop.
17. Employment is needed in village.
18. Let's not just be commute village.
19. This is a dormitory/retirement village with most people working in Exeter. Sustaining the existing pubs and shops is essential.

Negative

1. More and more young people are leaving the village in search of employment but how this addressed, I do not know.
2. "Limited". Majority of employment in this part of Devon is service related NHS/education/Retail etc. Difficult to see how there is much opportunity for significant employment in Silverton.
3. There is little employment within the village. Insufficient to employ those already resident here.
4. Employment - Such needs are likely to be in Exeter and/or Tiverton where new housing should be created. Why build houses where there is little or no employment?? Madness!
5. The strategy talks about Mid Devon being primarily a rural district and that the economy should be sustainable. There is no point in creating a lot of new housing and business premises if there is no demand.

Other issues

1. Working from home is key.
2. Gym/fitness facility for those who may not be able to access otherwise.

Workshop/Industrial Units

1. Could we have some lock-up small workshops to provide some employment in the village and avoid a commuter rush to Exeter/Tiverton.
2. Focal point for small scale industrial/commercial development. Small letting units with communal servicing and facilities.
3. Limited opportunity for employment in the village. Increasing small scale industrial units, you do need to consider lack of access Re; infrastructure, e.g. roads for larger vehicles.
4. There should be a policy which states employment opportunities should be equal to the number of people within the parish of working age. This could be achieved by encouragement of live/work units, business in general as well as small employment park with small workshops, studios and office space. An ideal location for this would be West's Garage.
5. Little employment in Silverton. A workshop unit could help. Maybe on the garage site combined with housing.

6. Small businesses are already accommodated and provide limited employment. Exeter would appear to be the most likely source and choice of employment. Is the Chitterley Business Park full?
7. There are few employment opportunities in the village. Small start up/lock up units might help to encourage small business. No direct public transport link to Cullompton and the M5 where there are more employment opportunities.
8. Loss of shops has taken away opportunities. We need to encourage however possible businesses back into village – could this possibly be by provision of say a small site for “small” units out of which local trades could be run creating jobs?
9. May be some small industrial units to create work for apprentices.
10. Small developments should be built by local tradesmen and not large developers.
11. There is a basic need for a certain level of employment within the village itself or in the immediate vicinity to help keep the community “alive”. Employment that foster skills and maintain those skills.
12. Facility for light industrial workspace. Create local employment that is sustainable.
13. Workshops/start up mini units.
14. Can the chicken farm at Babylon turn into lock-up workshops to provide more employment?
15. Be creative in stimulating small scale employment opps. Learn from others success.
16. Apprenticeships especially for young people.
17. Some employment in the village is required to stop the village becoming more of a dormitory for Exeter, Tiverton, etc.

Retail

1. Shop and PO adequate for immediate needs.
2. Miss the PO. Shop very good.
3. Sorry to lose separate PO. A social importance beyond services.
4. Baker would be nice. Wish PO had not moved.
5. Happy with current shop. Miss the PO.

6. Gallery and PO are sadly missed. Not sure if more shops would work even with expanded population. The supermarkets (mop up) people's cash.
7. We need a proper PO.
8. The village misses a PO.
9. Miss the PO. Welcome local people to sell/trade produce/crafts. Regular market in square.
10. Miss the separate PO – Spar staff good but social aspect gone.
11. Separate PO but shop OK
12. PO should not have closed. Replacement service poor.

Coffee Shop

1. Café would be great for villagers and visitors.
2. Coffee/gift shop

Competition

1. No need for more shops. We are fortunate with the ones we have.
2. Competition always good. Spar fine but could do with more.
3. Majority of people working outside village. Shop on the way home. Silverton used to have more
4. Shops then closed.
5. Need more competition.
6. I think we need competition with shops. No complaints with ones at the moment though.

Satisfied

1. Existing shops and facilities adequate.
2. The local shop is a real asset. Excellent.
3. Villagers are content to use Exeter and Tiverton for shopping. Existing shop is perfectly adequate. New/additional shops would spoil the village and may well not be supported.