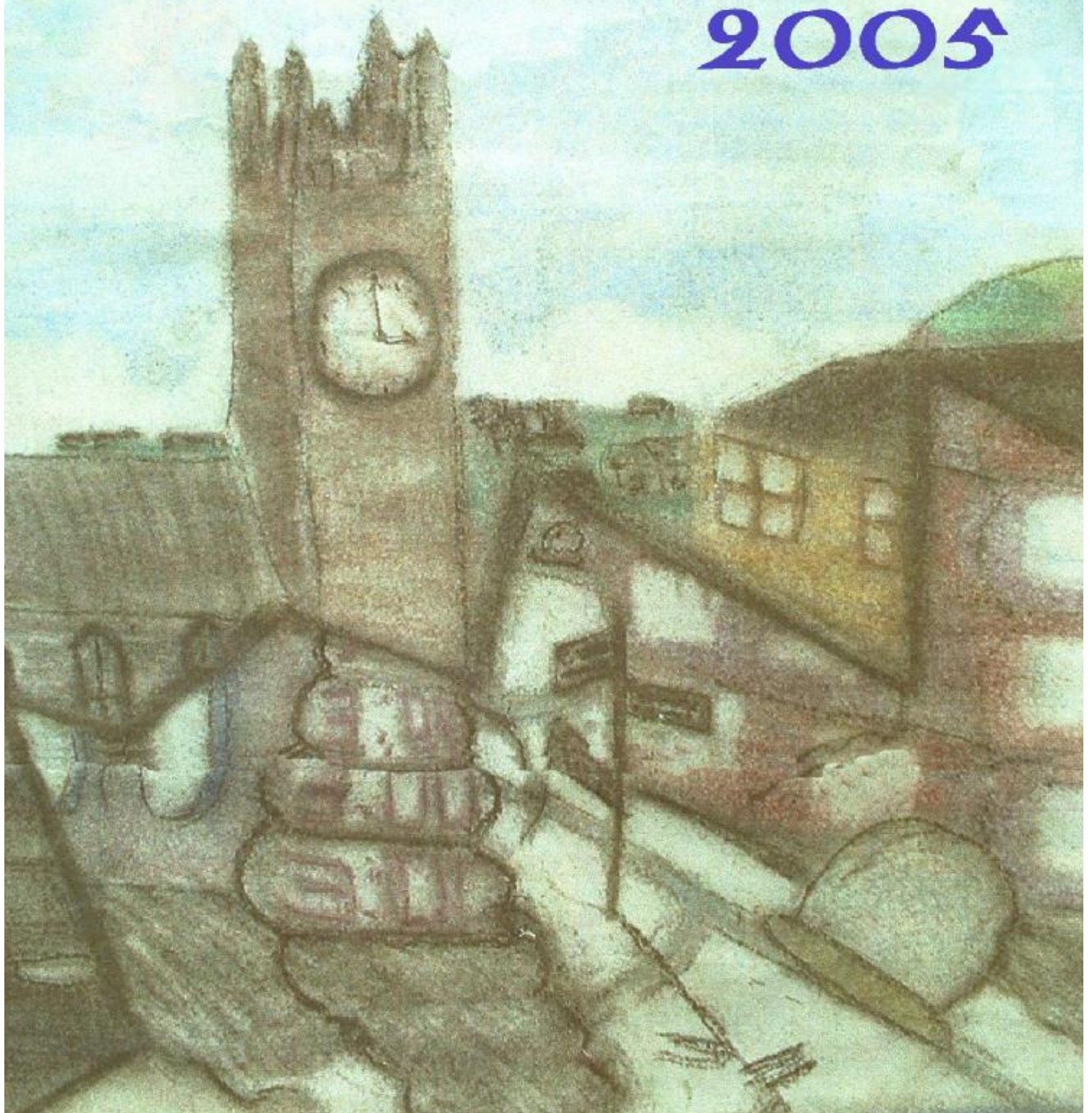


Callington Town Plan

2005



This Town Plan has been created and published
with the assistance of a grant from



and with funds from
Callington Town Council

Assistance was also provided by Caradon
District Council



Designed and edited by Lynda Small, Town Clerk.
Published by Callington Town Council, Town Hall, New Road, Callington, PL17 7BD
(01579 384039 701579 701579 389178 E-mail townclerkcal@freeuk.com

Web site www.callington.uk.net

All photographs © Lynda Small Town Clerk unless otherwise indicated

Front Cover: One of the runners-up in a competition at the Community College for the design of a new mural in the town. It is anticipated that the winning murals will be placed on the side wall of Underhills, Chemist.

Callington Town Plan

CONTENTS

1.	Introduction	5
	The Area	5
	Objectives	7
	Methodology	7
2.	Town Centre, Transport & Road Safety	9
	Issues Shops	9
	Issue Parking	9
	Issue Not Pedestrian Friendly	10
	Issue The A388	11
	Solutions Shops	13
	Solutions Parking	14
	Solutions Not Pedestrian Friendly	14
	Solutions A388 / By Pass	14
	Solutions Safer Routes to Town Centre	14
	Solutions Church Street / A388 Junction	15
	Issues & Solutions Other Problems	17
	Integrated Transport	17
	Litter	18
	St Mary's Close	18
	A More Reliable Bus Service	19
	Boy Racers	19
3.	Youth	20
	Issue An informal indoor location for youths to meet	20
	Issue An out door location for youth to meet	21
	Issue Opening hours at the Youth Centre	21
	Issue Recreational facilities for youth	22
	Issue Ball games in residential areas	22
	Issue Safe Cycle Tracks	23
	Solutions Youth Café	24
	Solutions An outdoor place to meet	25
	Solutions Youth Club opening hours	25
	Solutions Recreational provision for older children	25
	Solutions Ball games	26
	Solutions Safe cycling	26
4.	Public Services	29
	Health	
	Issue Dental health	29
	Issue Transport to Derriford	29
	Issue Appointment System	30
	Issue Health Centre Capacity & Parking	30
	Solutions Dental Health	31
	Solutions Transport to Derriford	32
	Solutions Health Centre	32
	Law & Order	34
	Issue Crimes that Cause Concern	34
	Issue Perception of Poor Service	34
	Issue Unsafe Areas	34
	Issue Police Presence & Wardens	35
	Issue Closed Circuit Television	35
	Issue Neighbourhood Watch	35

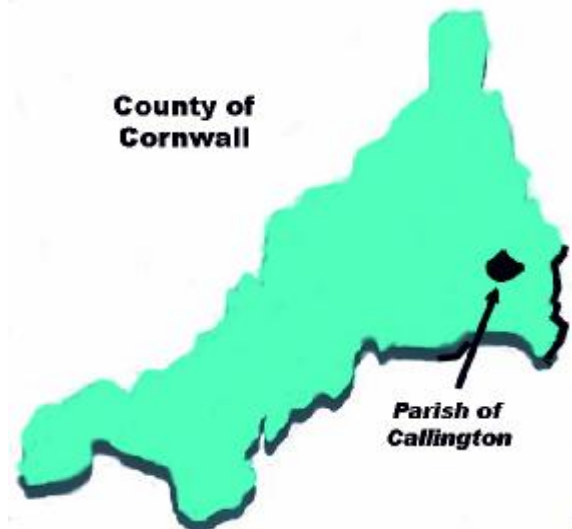
	Issue Police Response	35
	Solutions Crimes that Cause Concern	36
	Solutions Perception of Poor Service	37
	Solutions Police Presence PCSO's	38
	Solutions Unsafe Area, Designation Areas and Dispersal Orders	39
	Solutions Closed Circuit TeleVision	39
	Solutions Neighbourhood Watch	40
	Solutions Police Response Times	40
	Education	41
	Issue Vocational Training	41
	Issue Child Care	41
	Issue Class Size	42
5.	Leisure	43
	Issue Lack of Information on Activities	43
	Issue Leisure Centre Requirements	44
	Issue Shortage of Recreational Fields for Organised Sports	44
	Issue More Facilities Needed for Youth	44
	Solutions Lack of Information on Activities	45
	Solutions Leisure Centre Requirements	46
	Solutions Access to Swimming Pool	46
	Solutions Shortage of Recreational Fields for Organised Sports	48
	Solutions Increased Activities and Facilities for Youth	50
6.	Information	51
	Issue Improved Sources of Information	51
	Issue More Information for Tourists	52
	Issue Town Councillors & What the Council Does	53
	Issue Improving the Town Without Increasing the Rates	53
	Solutions Improved Sources of Information	54
	Solutions Promotion of Sustainable Tourism	56
	Solutions Information on the Town Council	57
	Solutions Improved Facilities at Minimal Cost	58
7.	Environment	59
	Issue Street Cleaning and Litter	59
	Issue Cornish Banks Woods and Trees	60
	Issue Floral Displays	60
	Issue More Footpaths, Bridleways and Cycle Paths	61
	Issues Street Lighting	62
	Solutions Street Cleaning and Litter	64
	Solutions Cornish Banks Woods and Trees	64
	Solutions Floral Displays	65
	Solutions Footpaths, Bridleways and Cycle Paths	66
	Solutions Light Pollution	67
8.	Housing & Employment	69
	Issue Sources of Employment	69
	Issue Job Centre Service	70
	Issue Housing	71
	Issue Expanding the Infrastructure	72
	Solutions A wide range of employment & business opportunities	73
	Solutions Job Centre	75
	Solutions Affordable Housing	75
	Solutions A sound Infrastructure for Sustainable Development	76
9.	The Future	77



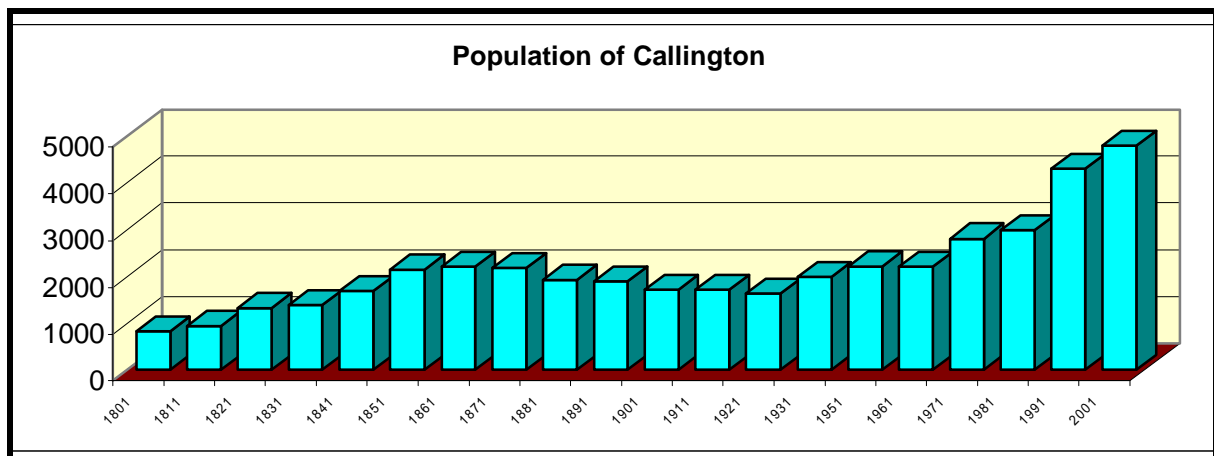
1. Introduction

THE AREA

1.01. This Town Plan relates to the civic parish of Callington. The parish comprises the town of Callington, the residential area of Kelly Bray and surrounding farmland within the parish boundary. References to Callington throughout the Plan, usually refer to the parish and therefore include Kelly Bray. Callington is situated in South East Cornwall within Caradon District Council. Although very much part of Cornwall and its rural beauty it is within ten miles of Saltash and across the Tamar in Devon is the city of Plymouth. Many people residing in Callington commute to Plymouth for work and a wider range of retail outlets.

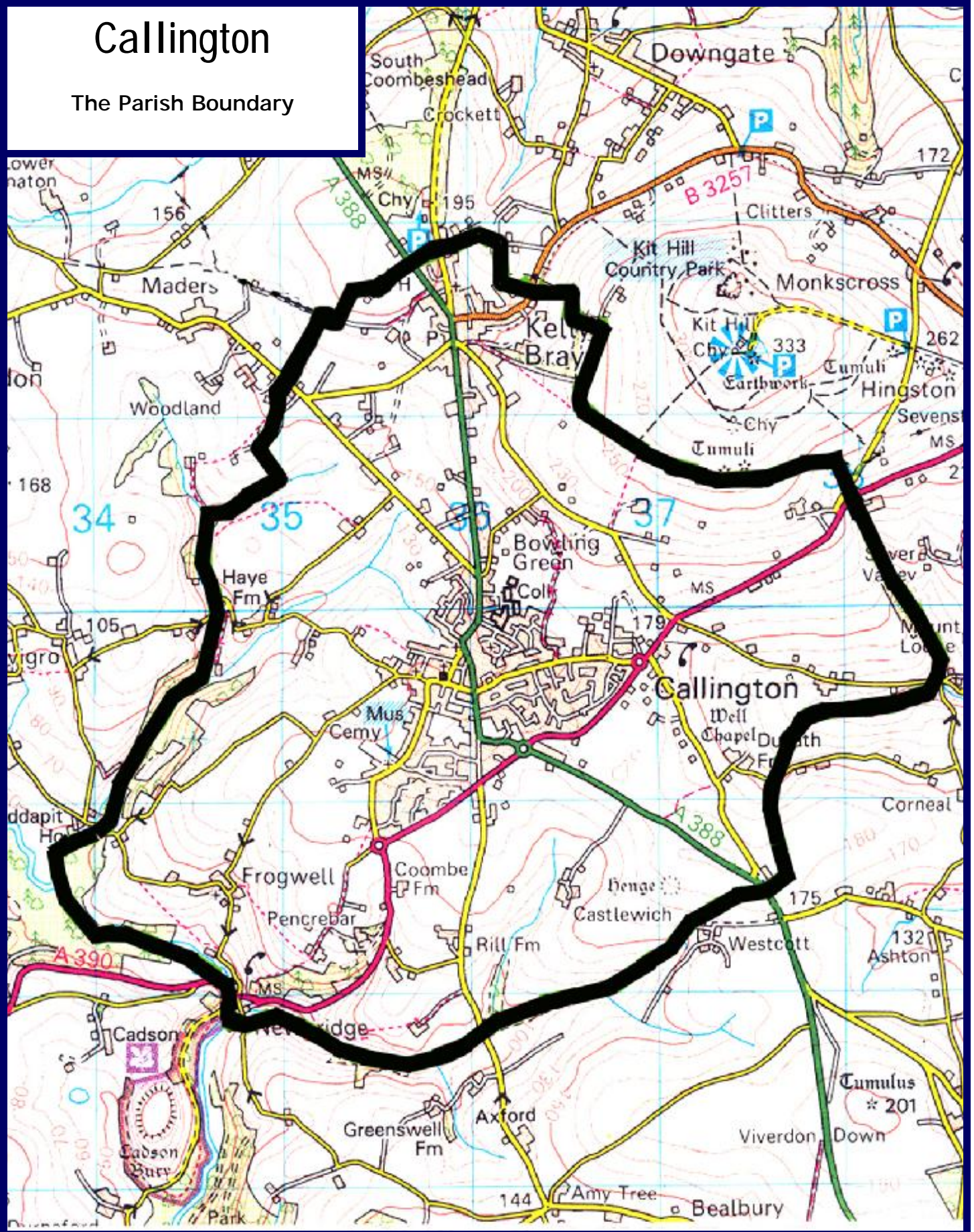


1.02. Callington currently accommodates a population of approximately 5200 persons [4783 in the 2001 census]. The population has increased slowly over the last two centuries with an expansion during the Victorian mining era but this later levelled out. However since the mid 1970's the population of the town has nearly doubled. This means that the town is undergoing considerable change that looks likely to continue. It is this change that has made this Town Plan so important. The town is expanding and the challenge is to make certain that the facilities and infrastructure also change in order to retain the quality of life of its inhabitants.



Callington

The Parish Boundary



The Ordnance Survey mapping included within this publication is provided by Caradon District Council under licence from the Ordnance Survey. Persons viewing this mapping should contact Ordnance Survey copyright for advice where they wish to licence Ordnance Survey mapping for their own use.

Reproduced from the Ordnance Survey mapping with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationary Office Crown copyright. Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown copyright and may lead to prosecution or civil proceedings. Caradon District Council LA 077402. May 2003

1.03 Callington is a compact town situated on the cross roads of two 'A' roads. The A390 goes from Tavistock & Gunnislake to Liskeard and the A388 comes up from Saltash and continues through the town north to Launceston and Bude. There is a southerly by-pass but not one for North/South traffic. The nearest railway station is at Gunnislake. Kelly Bray sits to the north of Callington, at what was the terminal of the Gunnislake to Callington railway line. The A388 links Kelly Bray to the rest of the parish.

1.04. Callington can be described as a small rural town and was once a market town. The centre of the town is a Conservation Area. It is surrounded by open countryside and is closely adjacent to an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and an Area of Great Landscape Value. The predominant feature of the landscape is Kit Hill which is within the AONB and is now a Country Park. It has a long history and its association with the town has been documented in a book.

FACILITIES

Callington
 Bus Service
 Car Parks
 Cemetery [Active]
 Churches
 Community College
 Industrial Estate
 Library
 Museum
 Petrol Station
 Post Office
 Primary School
 Public Convenience
 Public Houses
 Recreation Fields
 Recycling Area
 Shops
 Supermarket
 Telephone kiosks
 Town Hall

Kelly Bray
 Bus Service
 Industrial Estate
 Post Office
 Public House
 Shops [2]
 Telephone kiosk

OBJECTIVES

- ✓ To establish an achievable vision for the future of the Parish of Callington
- ✓ To provide a voice for the whole community to express their concerns and indicate priorities for action to improve the quality of life of all inhabitants.
- ✓ To provide the Town Council with a mandate for all actions that can reasonably and practically be achieved.
- ✓ To provide mechanisms to inform and influence the decisions of statutory bodies, agencies, individuals and organisations with due regard to community priorities and local needs.
- ✓ To secure the adoption of this plan as a Supplementary Planning Document within the Caradon Local Development Framework and to ensure it is pivotal in any Area Action Plan for the town.

METHODOLOGY

1.05. In 2003 Town Council together with the Town Forum made a bid for funding to research and write a Parish Plan. The Countryside Agency and the Town Council each gave £5,000 for this exercise. The Forum/Council

appointed a Steering Group. The Steering Group decided to appoint a paid Co-ordinator to carry out the research, gather and analyse the data required and build the plan, in conjunction with the Steering Group and the Council. The Co-ordinator started work in January 2004. Representatives from the town's voluntary groups, churches, clubs and associations were invited to join the Steering Group. The first task was to design a questionnaire. An Open day was held in April where townspeople were invited to come and offer suggestions on various topics. Over 250 people attended this event during the morning and afternoon and a great deal of feedback was given.

1.06. In May a questionnaire was sent out to every household, (2200 of them) delivered by the team who deliver the *Callington News*. Freepost envelopes were provided for people to return the questionnaire, and drop off points were also set up in various locations, 850 were returned. A junior questionnaire was distributed through the primary school and the college. 450 were returned through the same route. The findings were fed into a computer during June and July and the data analysed.

1.07 . In November 2004 the results were handed over to the Town Council and the new Town Clerk immediately produced a Summary of the Survey Results which was circulated to every household. During November and December the full results were placed on the towns web site for anyone to read.

1.08. In January and February 2005 a series of open meetings were held on the various subject heading within the Survey. Members of the public were invited to attend as well as people specifically involved with subjects such as policing, education, youth, etc. At these meetings the issues were discussed and positive suggestions were made, indicating a way forward.

1.09. The Town Clerk then wrote the Town Plan with drafts being circulated to all Council Members for correction and input. Once the first draft was ready it was made available to the public via the web site and paper copies were available from the Town Council and in the Library. A deadline was given for any responses which the Council carefully considered before the Town Plan went to print.

1.10. It has taken over fifteen months to write the Town Plan, it could have been completed in a shorter time, but throughout the whole process emphasis has been put on consulting with the residents. However the main basis for the opinions reflected in this Plan has always been the results of the town survey which allowed the 'silent majority' an excellent opportunity to express their opinions. The Survey Results are therefore an equally important document and if further evidence is needed for the opinions expressed in this Plan they should be referred to.