

Dear Business Owner,

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You may be aware that a Neighbourhood Priority Statement is presently being devised which will set out the ambitions and priorities of Lostwithiel Parish in terms of the need for infrastructure, the design and location of new housing and the places where more growth might be inappropriate.

Cornwall Council will have a statutory obligation to endorse and take our published NPS into account when determining the policies of the new Local Plan which will be completed in 2026.

It is essential that our NPS also sets out priorities for our local economy and employment and these must reflect the views of our existing businesses. To this end we should be extremely grateful if you could complete and return the following questionnaire by Thursday 18 September 2025. Please return by either emailing your completed questionnaire back to your Business Group Chair Adam or the Town Council office admin@lostwithieltowncouncil.gov.uk or by dropping a printed copy into the Council's post box located at the top of North Street next to the Taprell House black courtyard gates.

| What type of business do you operate (e.g. retail, hospitality, building & construction, agriculture, food processing, professional services)? | | | | | | | |
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| Where is your business based? Please <u>tick</u> | | | | | | | |
| Home based | [] | | | | | | |
| Town centre | [] | | | | | | |
| Industrial estate/Milk Factory | [] | | | | | | |
| Edge of town centre/ on the town fringes | [] | | | | | | |
| Rural or farm based | [] | | | | | | |
| Other. Please specify | | | | | | | |
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| How many employees do you have (full-time and part-time)? | | | | | | | |

What are your main challenges in operating a business in Lostwithiel? Please tick up to 4 that apply, ranked 1 – 4 with 1 being the most significant. Recruitment/Retention of staff [] **Business rates** [] Competition Cost of labour **Energy costs** Suitable premises Accessibility for customers and staff Rents Weather [] Other. /Please specify What are the 'benefits' of being based in Lostwithiel? Would you consider moving your business elsewhere and if so, why and where to? Are there any infrastructure limitations that hinder your business? Please tick if applicable and explain any reasons Rail service frequency [] Road network e.g. A390 and beyond

| Availability of co | ustomer p | arking | | [] | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Availability of employee parking [] | | | | | |
| Internet | | | | [] | |
| Utilities (e.g. wa | ater/electi | ricity/gas | supplies) | | |
| Other (please s | pecify) | | | | |
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| Where are you | ur custon | ners bas | ed? | | |
| Please <u>tick</u> as a | ppropriat | e | | | |
| | Mostly | Partly | Slightly | Not at all | |
| | iviostly | rartiy | Juguitry | ivot at all | |
| Local | | | | | |
| (5-6 miles) | | | | | |
| County wide | | | | | |
| National | | | | | |
| EU | | | | | |
| International | | | | | |
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| What specific | support | or resou | rces woul | d help your | own business grow? |
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| Do you believ | e there is | s potenti | al for new | businesses | in Lostwithiel? |
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| Yes [] | No | [] | | | |
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| If yes, what do | o you thi | nk might | do well h | ere? | |
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| Do you believe th developed? | ere are 'places' in and aroun | d the town where new bus | sinesses might be |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Yes [] | No [] | | |
| If so, where? | | | |
| Is there anything | else you would like to share | about having a business in | Lostwithiel? |
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| Thank you for you | ur time. | | |