



Forest of Dean  
— DISTRICT COUNCIL —

## RESIDENTIAL DESIGN GUIDE CONSULTATION: CAPTURING THE CHARACTER OF THE FOREST OF DEAN 17 MAY – 30 JUNE 2022

### What and why?

Are the wonderfully different characters of the Forest of Dean's many towns and villages being slowly eroded by the slow march of 'anywhere' new housing or poorly designed extensions? Is your area, town or parish getting the design quality of new housing that you and all in your community really want?

Now's your chance to help the District Council make your local places, areas, parishes, villages and towns really special, really distinctive.

With the government now pushing for better quality design, the Forest of Dean District Council aims to back this up by updating its Residential Design Guide

But if that sounds like something 'they' will do, you are completely wrong because ....THE GUIDE NEEDS YOU!

That's because the only people who really know what makes your area special and distinctive are those who live and work there.

And the Council wants to hear from as many local people as possible about that because the more the Guide can be specific to each place, the easier it gets to demand genuinely locally distinctive design.

### How and who?

Stage 1 of the process will take place over late spring / early summer of 2022. To begin with there are 3 ways you can be involved:

1

Fill in a very short (just 2 question) survey

2

Share your photos and contribute to building a genuine 'picture' of local character and local housing

3

Take a look at the website where you can find out more about the overall initiative and sign-up for news and updates as the Residential Design Guide is updated

Visit:

[www.fodresidentialdesignguide.online](http://www.fodresidentialdesignguide.online)

**The Forest District - and all its individual places - is special.  
Let's make sure it stays that way, and ideally gets even better!**

More Information overleaf

The District Council planning policy team will put together the results from each particular place to give an overall picture – which they'll get straight back to everybody who contributes.

To find out more about the existing Residential Design Guide and the overall process of updating the Guidance go to the initiative website: [www.fodresidentialdesignguide.online](http://www.fodresidentialdesignguide.online)

Please note you will be directed to a third party website hosted by Place Studio Ltd who are assisting with the engagement exercise. Place Studio are experts in design with a wealth of experience working with communities, local councils and developers to help shape beautiful and successful places, spaces and buildings.

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If you need further information, please go to the website, or contact the Local Plans team by:

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Post: Locals Plans, Forest of Dean District Council Offices, High Street, Coleford, GL16 8HG

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If you do not have access to the internet and would like to complete a paper survey please contact us.

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