An aerial photograph of a lush green valley. In the foreground, there are rolling green fields and scattered trees. A river flows through the middle ground on the left side. In the background, there are more hills and a line of trees under a clear blue sky.

# Developing the Derbyshire Dales Plan (Corporate Plan) 2024 to 2028

# Today's Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Introduction of Derbyshire Dales Plan 2024-28 and process
- Marketing Means to present residents survey report conclusions
- Kada to present evidence base summary
- Dr Peter Dewhurst to present the partnership view
- Summary of DDDC financial position
- Summary of DDDC human resources position
- Results from residents focus groups
- Budget exercise – managing financial and human resources
- Comments, wrap up and next steps

# Workshop Aims

To enable Councillor's understanding of the development of the Council's Corporate Plan 2024–28

- Presentation of factual information on the Derbyshire Dales and its population
- Set out opinions gathered from residents on current and future Council services
- Information on the budget and likely future impacts

# What is the Derbyshire Dales Plan 2024-28?

- It sets out the main priorities for the Derbyshire Dales district.
- It is the key strategy from which the District Council's Budget and Service Plans cascade
- It shows the key priorities for the District for four years (e.g. affordable housing, better jobs, tackle climate change)
- These priorities link to actions
- Progress on actions are reviewed and reported every year
- Reflects Member and Resident wishes but also grounded in actual need
- Acknowledges there is not enough resource (people or £) to do it all at once

# Progressive Alliance Priorities

## Our shared vision:

To build flourishing, healthy and sustainable communities through housing and infrastructure policies, economic development plans, and the provision of services, whether directly or indirectly by the Council.

## Our mission:

Working together, we will support our people and communities by listening and responding to their needs, and provide them with genuinely effective, sustainable and value-for-money services.



# Residents' Survey

## March 2023



**MARKETING MEANS**

THE RESEARCH PEOPLE

# Demographic Evidence Base

**KADA**





Dr Peter Dewhurst

Chair of the Peak  
District Partnership





# The Challenge

To set priorities and define achievable actions each year, while remembering that;

- ✓ We have a legal duty to provide some services; we can set the level or standard
- ✓ Not everyone has the same top priorities or needs
- ✓ Budgets are tight and may become more so
- ✓ What may be considered correct, may not be popular with everyone
- ✓ The council serves every resident and business





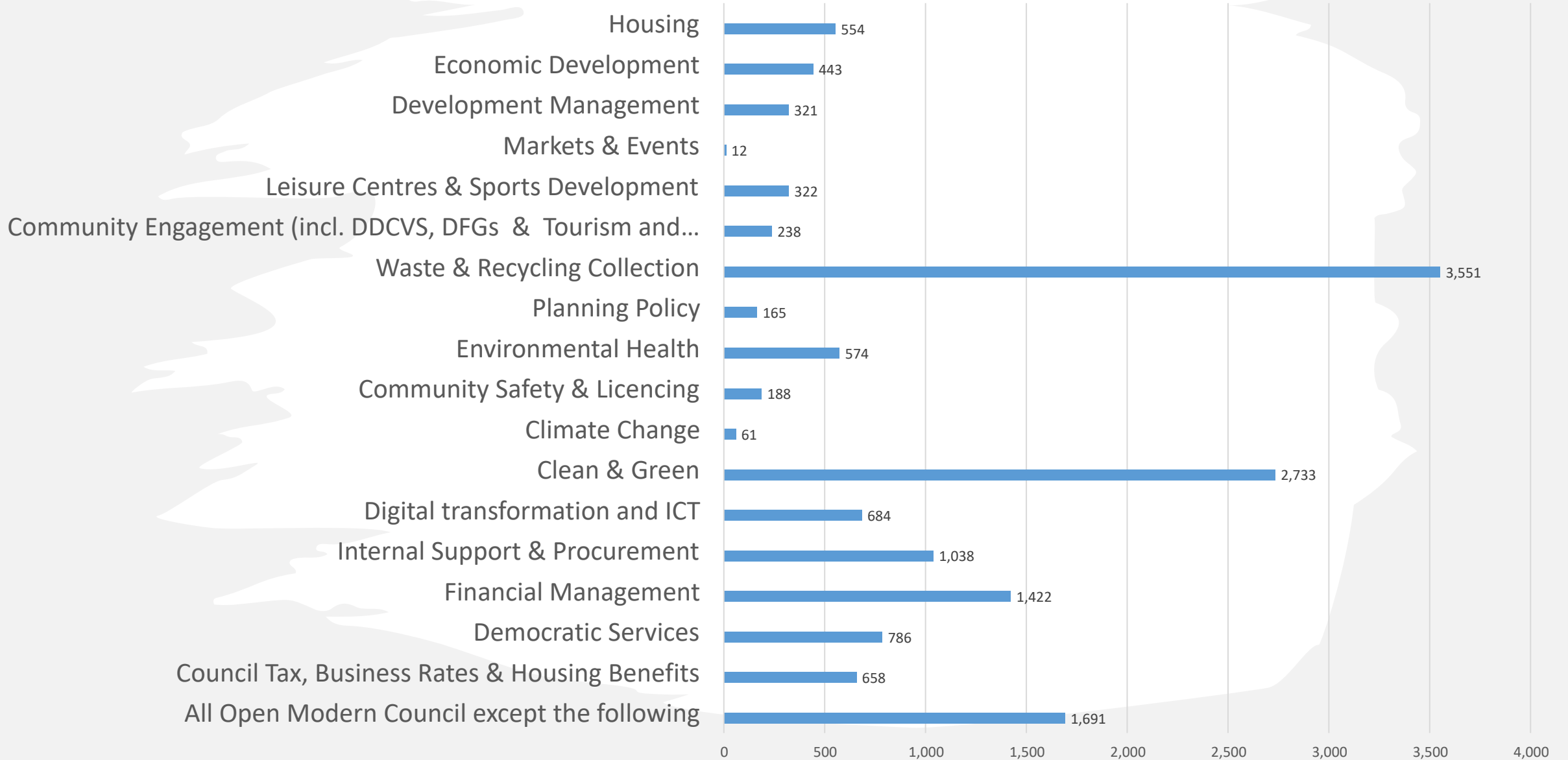
# Financial Position

The following are likely to influence our future budgets:

- General Election in 2024 – availability of government funding
- Inflation/interest rate changes
- Service demands
- Income from council tax, business rates & fees/charges
- Amount of external funding

# Net Revenue Budget 2023/24 (excl CP)

£000



Paul Wilson  
Chief Executive,  
DDDC

Human Resources  
Position

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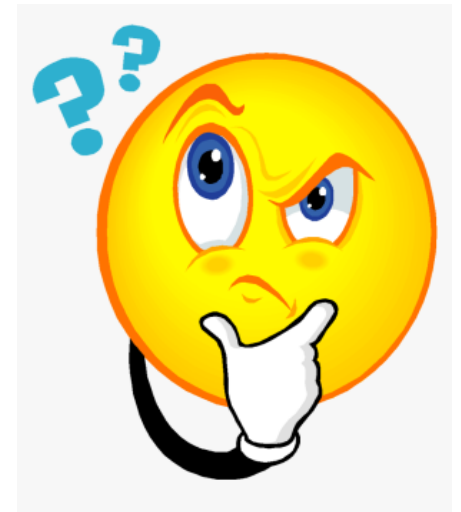
# Residents Workshops Results

What priorities and projects for **jobs and homes** do you think should be in the next 4-year plan?

- Support for the delivery of affordable housing for local people
  - with more focus on the development of zero/low carbon homes
- Support for local businesses, especially those delivering high quality jobs
  - with more focus on green jobs
- Support for town centres

*“Building more affordable environmental sound homes for rent and buy.”*

*“Maintaining jobs in towns by supporting businesses”*



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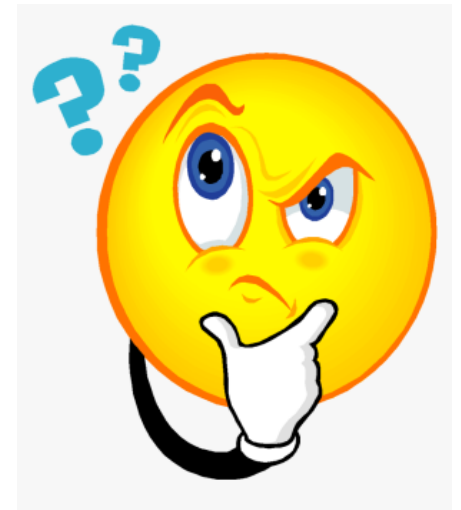
What priorities and projects for **clean, green and safe** do you think should be in the next 4-year plan?

- More litter picking
- Keeping the parks and open spaces clean and tidy
- More projects related to climate change and biodiversity
- Maintaining an emphasis on recycling and an effective waste/bin collection service

*“Climate crisis needs to take priority and be built into everything somehow.”*

*“Greater focus on biodiversity - e.g. establish more wildlife corridors”*

*“Maintain a reliable bin collection system on days specified”*



# Residents Workshops Results

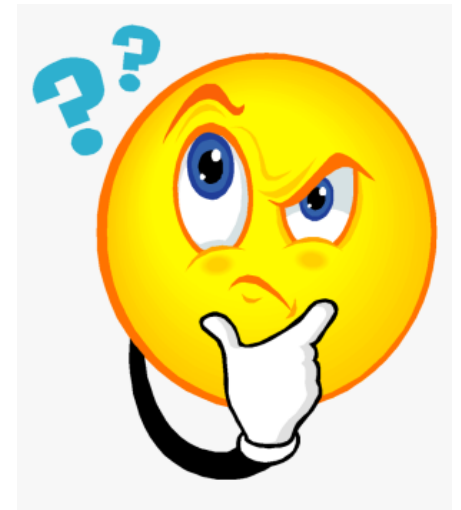
What **community priorities and projects** do you think should be in the next 4-year plan?

- Provision of public toilets was important to those present
- Support for reviewing car parking service and facilities
  - especially the costs of town centre car parking in Ashbourne.
- Support for leisure centres and facilities

*“Public toilets – plea to reopen the public toilets in Ashbourne Park”*

*“Cheaper car parking charges could be a way of attracting people into the town”*

*“Maintain quality and facilities for sport and recreation”*



# Focus Group Results

Both workshops suggested:



additional investment in support of the **local economy, housing** and measures relating to **climate change**



limited budget redistribution away from **central services** and **financial management**.



# Money Matters: What can we afford?

In your groups, please identify how you would spend the budget and allocate resources.

# Key messages

Spending more on one thing means spending less on another

Any changes cost time and money to enact

We can't do everything immediately

Planning can start for longer term projects

Capital projects generally need external funding

Applying for and managing funding takes time, staff and money

# Wrap up, Summary & Next Steps

- Thank you for your participation
- All work done today will be helpful in developing the Derbyshire Dales Plan
- **Final Member Workshop – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023**
- Finalisation of the Derbyshire Dales Plan by November 2023
- Develop Projects and Initiatives to commence April 2024 onwards

Questions?