(Y)our Dartmouth Park Design Charter

Following two *Community Conversations* held in January 2021 we have gathered together the issues that were discussed below, highlighting what a successful scheme needs to achieve going forward. In BETA format, this Design Charter is currently for further discussion and we welcome your additions.

Through Traffic Remove the ease at which vehicles can rat-run through the area and limit through-traffic to create a quieter more peaceful neighbourhood.

Area-Wide Scheme Improvements should not just apply to one or two streets. Traffic should not be displaced to other streets in the neighbourhood. The neighbourhood should be addressed as one.

Better Walking Priority for people walking in the neighbourhood should be introduced. Better crossings where required (particularly around schools), and wider footways where effective width is insufficient or inaccessible for buggies or people with mobility aids. No pavement parking.

Increased Road Safety Slower speeds on all streets and better defined space for moving, parking, and walking. Make streets into child-friendly spaces.

Increased Cycle Safety Cycling in and around the neighbourhood should be safe and inviting for all age groups and abilities. Increase on street cycle parking and secure cycle storage.

Future Proof Make it easier for people to use shared ownership vehicles and car clubs, incorporate EV Charging Points, and prepare for micro-mobility (dockless cycles, e-cycles, and e-scooters) safely.

Fairness Ensure safe accessibility to streets for all, especially those less able and those with children, buggies, or mobility aids. Ensure a fairness of approach that does not negatively impact people in the neighbourhood or just outside. Ensure fairness of access to parking/storage for all modes.

School Streets Explore School Street measures for all schools in the neighbourhood to reduce traffic demand in peaks.

Local Business Hubs Ensure access and servicing is maintained for businesses around York Rise, Chester Road, and Swain's Lane, with short stay bays and loading, with improved crossings. Improve the public realm to increase local footfall, and make hubs into sociable community spaces.

Access to Homes Maintain access to all residential properties by car.

Protect Access for Emergency Services Schemes should not negatively impact people reaching healthcare.

Air Quality Any scheme should aim to reduce emissions and improve air quality, particularly around schools and areas with high pedestrian activity

Data As part of the design process collect GPS origin + destination data to identify rat-running.

Timed Restrictions Explore measures to further protect the neighbourhood from rat-running in the morning and evening peaks.

Increase Trees + Planting Increase tree planting, habitat creation and biodiversity on streets. Include sustainable urban drainage and create pockets of green spaces to make walking and cycling more pleasurable.

Developed with the community over two workshops (15.01.2021 + 19.01.2021), additions welcome!