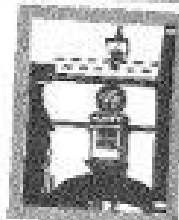


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More homes and jobs needed, say college students

WE need more leisure facilities, affordable housing and skilled jobs.

That was the message from college students who claim they often feel 'invisible'.

The Year 10 youngsters from King Edward VI Community College had been invited to spell out the future they want to see for the town in a day with members of the Totnes Neighbourhood Plan steering group.

Neighbourhood Plan co-ordinator Theo Platt said afterwards: 'One thing that was clear from our discussions was that young people often feel invisible in the town, they are often treated with suspicion and feel there are very few safe places for them to relax with their friends.'

On a more positive note, many students felt that if the town could supply more leisure opportunities for young people and skilled jobs and affordable housing for the future, it was a town they could imagine wanting to stay in.'

The day was organised by Planning for Real, national experts in community engagement and work to empower communities so they have a real say in what happens in their neighbourhoods.

Theo said: 'We chose to invite Planning for Real to facilitate the day, because the ethos underpinning all their methods is that they are highly visual, tactile, participatory and community led.'

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King Edward VI Community College Year 10 students present their work to Totnes Neighbourhood Plan steering group members Cllr Tony Whitty, Peter Rees, Mary Coughlan-Clarke and co-ordinator Theo Platt

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