# Our vision for 2041

**We want what local people want for South Gloucestershire. Our vision is of happy, healthy people living in thriving communities - both new and existing - which come together to improve quality of life for all.**

Communities in which residents have access to secure, affordable, warm homes. Communities where everyone can meet their aspirations and potential and where businesses flourish. And greener communities where we cherish and enhance our natural environment and are doing all we can to minimise and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

We'll be delivering the right types of homes in the right places, thanks to carefully planned development which supports regeneration and renewal of our urban areas and market towns and enables villages to flourish and thrive.

Local people will enjoy the security that comes from having a decent, fulfilling job. The fruits of economic prosperity will be shared by all, bolstered by a green economy which provides new employment opportunities for those who live and work here.

People will be less dependent on their cars, because key facilities like shops, primary schools, healthcare, and wider opportunities for education, play and leisure will be available on their doorsteps. But when we need to move around, travel will be sustainable, convenient, reliable and affordable thanks to a strong public transport and active travel network.

We will be greener. With fewer cars on the road and better public transport, air quality will improve, and carbon emissions will reduce to Net Zero. A connected green infrastructure network will allow nature to thrive and enhance biodiversity. In built up areas, quality parks and green spaces will open access to nature for all, whilst in the countryside, we will maintain and strengthen our connections with the land.

Adaptations to buildings and public spaces will improve our resilience to climate change. The character of South Gloucestershire's landscapes and historic cities, towns and villages will be protected and enhanced, allowing residents to enjoy easy access to the natural, historic and cultural places that make our District special.

Our vision for South Gloucestershire is local people's vision: a place where current and future generations want to live.