

Saint Christopher National Physical Development Plan VISION 2040: TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE ISLAND STATE

St. Kitts is a sustainable island state with safe and livable communities, a thriving local economy, and healthy and diverse ecosystems. Kittitians have access to safe and affordable housing, live in well-serviced settlements, have access to locally produced food, fresh water, meaningful employment, and clean energy. Land and natural resources are used efficiently and new development embraces sound environmental practices and planning principles. Residents and tourists alike are able to enjoy and experience the island's natural beauty and cultural heritage now and for generations to come.

Guiding Principles

- 1. Climate Resilience**
The ability of natural and human systems to adapt and recover from the impacts of climate change.
- 2. Disaster Risk Reduction**
A systematic approach to identifying, assessing, and reducing the risks of hazards to life and property.
- 3. Ridge to Reef**
Integrated management of land, water and marine resources from the mountaintops to the coral reefs.
- 4. Sustainable Land Management**
The use of land resources in a way that maintains or improves its productivity while ensuring long-term ecological and social sustainability.

Planning Themes

- 1. ENVIRONMENT**
 The island's ecological systems are protected and enhanced through climate-responsive land use planning.
- 2. HOUSING**
 All residents have access to safe, secure, and affordable housing.
- 3. FOOD**
 Agricultural land is used efficiently to grow food and rear animals for local consumption.
- 4. EMPLOYMENT**
 St. Kitts' economy is driven by a diversity of sustainable, job generating economic activities.
- 5. WATER**
 St. Kitts is self-sufficient in its reliance on water resources, and all residents enjoy access to clean and safe drinking water.
- 6. ENERGY**
 The island's electricity needs are met through locally produced renewable energy, including a combination of geothermal, solar, and wind.

ST. KITTS LAND USE TO 2040

